

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 28, 2015

Subject: Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) CH2M Hill Contract Amendment No. 2

Proposed Action

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Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Nani Jacobson presented the Item. Councilmembers Brimeyer asked when the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) were anticipated to be published. Ms. Jacobson responded that the proposed schedule for the SDEIS is the first quarter 2015 and the FEIS is late 2015 or early 2016. Councilmember Munt asked if the contract extension was due to delays from working with the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board. Ms. Jacobson responded that the extension dates back to 2014, incorporating Project adjustments into the environmental review process.

Motion made by Councilmember Munt, seconded by Councilmember Reynoso and carried with Councilmember Elkins recusing himself from the vote. **Non-Consent to Council.**

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Meeting date: January 26, 2015

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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Procurement of Professional Services

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Division/Department: Metro Transit / Green Line Extension Project Office

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Background

In May 2013, CH2M Hill, Inc. was awarded a contract in the amount of \$3,385,670 to complete an FEIS, Record of Decision (ROD) and environmental permitting documentation for the SWLRT Project. In June 2014, an amendment was authorized to extend the contract from March 2015 through December 2015 and for the completion of an SDEIS. Further project development since award of the amendment identified the need to involve CH2M Hill, Inc. in additional support related to the FEIS, Section 4(f) Evaluation, Joint Development, and environmental permitting activities. The inclusion of Locally Requested Capital Investments, to be constructed by the Project, but fully funded by the requesting project partner, also require completion of environmental documentation and are included in this amendment. Amendment No. 2 extends the contract through December 31, 2016 and increases the contract by \$1,789,087.

Rationale

Council approval to extend the contract and increase the contract amount is necessary to complete the SDEIS and additional activities required for completion of the FEIS, ROD, and environmental permits.

Funding

Funding is available within the SWLRT Project's overall budget for the costs associated with the base scope of the project (\$6,275,670). The requesting project partner will fully reimburse the Council for costs related to environmental documentation for Locally Requested Capital Investments (\$759,087).

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.