# **Committee Report**

Business Item No. 2017-260

### **Environment Committee**

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 29, 2017

Subject: MCES Capital Program Plant Engineering Services Master Contracts

## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute two 3-year master contracts for plant engineering services in the amount of \$400,000 each to HDR Engineering, Inc. and AE2S.

## **Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions**

Staff clarified that master contracts are utilized to augment the work being done by Council staff. It helps to balance work flow and cost efficiencies.

Was there concern or opposition by the Union representation? Staff clarified the Union had no opposition at this time.



## **Environment Committee**

Meeting date: November 14, 2017

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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Policy 3-3, Expenditures

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## **Background**

These contracts provide for various engineering assignments, including hydraulic modelling and process performance testing, that are needed to implement the authorized capital program for treatment plants. Contract amounts are based on a level of effort estimated by MCES Technical Services staff.

A formal solicitation was issued May 19, 2017. Five proposals were received June 27, 2017 and evaluated by a panel of MCES staff. Based on strengths most closely aligned with the scope of work, the evaluation panel recommends awarding master contracts in the amount of \$400,000 each to HDR Engineering, Inc. and AE2S.

#### Rationale

Master contracts with a cumulative value of \$500,000 or more require Council Authorization.

#### **Thrive Lens Analysis**

This procurement supports the Thrive Outcomes for stewardship and sustainability as the work supports efforts to maintain the region's wastewater treatment system as well as invest in it so that it can be operated in an effective and efficient way.

#### **Funding**

Funding is provided in the 2017 Authorized Capital Program.

### **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition.