Business Item No. 2017-261

# **Environment Committee**

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 29, 2017

**Subject:** Construction Cooperation Agreement with the City of Minnetrista for St. Bonifacius L24 Force Main Project

## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a construction cooperation agreement with the City of Minnetrista for force main construction inclusion in Minnetrista's Lotus Drive roadway improvements in the amount of \$2,000,000.

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

An inquiry was made regarding whether the acceleration of the improvements increase the cost of the force main installation. Staff clarified if constructed in 2020, costs may be higher due to inflation. Constructing the improvements in 2018 will eliminate cost inflation.

Has accelerating the project caused a backup of other projects or does it fit within the workload? Staff clarified there is flexibility in the budget to accommodate the work.



## **Environment Committee**

Meeting date: November 14, 2017

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District(s), Member(s): District 3, Jennifer Munt

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.504 and 471.59

Staff Prepared/Presented: Scott Dentz, 651-602-4503

**Division/Department:** MCES c/o Leisa Thompson, 651-602-8101

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## Background

The City of Minnetrista has advanced the schedule for constructing the Lotus Drive roadway improvements. This work is necessary to provide access to the ongoing Woodland Cove development west of County Road 44 and north of Trunk Highway 7. St. Bonifacius L24 Force Main Improvements, Council Project 808210 is scheduled for construction in the 2020 timeframe and presently includes the Lotus Drive roadway improvements. It is proposed to advance the schedule for that portion of force main work that underlies Lotus Drive with its inclusion in the City led roadway improvements project.

#### Rationale

Intergovernmental agreements exceeding \$500,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

#### **Thrive Lens Analysis**

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively, to maintain capacity in the wastewater infrastructure, and protect the region's natural resources.

#### Funding

Project 808210 is included in the 8082 family of projects in the 2017 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

Currently Authorized: \$19,000,000

Unencumbered Funds: \$16,000,000

#### **Known Support / Opposition**

The City of Minnetrista supports this action.