

## Environment Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 11, 2018

**Subject:** Contract for Minneapolis Interceptor Study

### Proposed Action

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### Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Staff clarified that the selection of the consultant was based on performance criteria; and that the selected proposal fell mid-range in terms of cost.

Staff responded that the project will result in a hydraulic model of the Council's wastewater system. Staff also confirmed that portions of the Council's wastewater system was acquired from local communities, including Minneapolis.

Staff confirmed that flows from communities upstream of Minneapolis would be considered in the model.

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Meeting date: June 26, 2018

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**District(s), Member(s):** District 6, Gail Dorfman; District 7, Gary Cunningham; District 8, Cara Letofsky

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Council Policy 3-4-3 – Procurement, Major Purchases

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Marcus Bush, 651-602-1166; Kyle Colvin, 651-602-1151

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

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### Background

The regional wastewater interceptors involved in this study convey wastewater from the City of Minneapolis and upstream communities and discharge to the joint interceptor through Saint Paul to the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant (Metro Plant). Roughly two-thirds (67%), of wastewater flow at the Metro Plant travels through the Minneapolis interceptors in this study.

This contract is for a consultant to assist in developing a quantitative understanding of flow conditions and a work plan to address system impacts related to system hydraulic capacity, continued reliability, and risk reduction for system overflow. This will be a major planning study for the interceptor system that will be used to determine future capital projects.

A formal request for proposal (RFP) was issued on April 4, 2018 in accordance with Council procurement procedures. Four proposals were received and opened on May 3, 2018. The proposals included expected costs for the proposed strategies to complete the study. An evaluation panel evaluated all proposals for quality, experience, and price and determined that HDR, Inc. presented the highest ranked proposal to meet the goals of the study.

### Rationale

The Metropolitan Council will procure the goods and services required to meet its needs and fulfill its mission. The Council will procure goods and services as economically as feasible, in a manner that is efficient, straightforward, and equitable, and which complies with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations and all other Council policies.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain conveyance assets, which protect the region's natural resources.

### Funding

Project No. 807650 is included in the 2018 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

### Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.