

Environment Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 23, 2019

Subject: Ratification of Declaration of Emergency for Repair of Interceptor 1-MN-320 under Van White Boulevard in Minneapolis

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached Justification for the Declaration of Emergency for repair to Interceptor 1-MN-320 under Van White Boulevard in Minneapolis.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Chair Lindstrom asked how the contractor selection in emergency declaration situations is made. Staff stated a selection is made from a list of 2019 pre-qualified contractors that is able to do the specific open pipe work needed. A determination is then made based on their workload and how quickly they could mobilize to provide the service.

Environment Committee

Meeting date: October 8, 2019

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District(s), Member(s): District 7, Robert Lilligren

Policy/Legal Reference: Policy 3-3, Expenditures

Staff Prepared/Presented: Jeannine Clancy, 651-602-1210; Adam Gordon, 651-602-4503

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

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached Justification for the Declaration of Emergency for repair to Interceptor 1-MN-320 under Van White Boulevard in Minneapolis.

Background

On October 1, 2019, a 300-foot segment of 1-MN-320 under Van White Memorial Boulevard in the City of Minneapolis was found to be partially collapsed and a void was observed directly above the pipe, creating a hazardous condition for the roadway above it. The condition of the pipe was observed during an inspection of the MCES interceptor system.

City of Minneapolis Public Works, which has jurisdictional authority of Van White Boulevard, was contacted and has closed the roadway as a precautionary measure. Pursuant to the declaration, a contractor has been retained and is working with MCES and the City to develop a repair plan and assist in traffic control.

Rationale

The deficiencies noted in the inspection have compromised the integrity of the MCES pipe and is a risk to transportation infrastructure. This work needs to begin immediately in order to avoid further damage and to allow Van White Boulevard to be opened. MCES will hire a prequalified Contractor to perform this work.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain and restore existing capacity to existing wastewater infrastructure which protects the region's natural resources.

Funding

The estimated cost for the emergency work is \$1,000,000. This work will be funded out of the 2019 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.



EMERGENCY DECLARATION FORM

“A declared public emergency is an emergency situation in which the health, safety or welfare of the public or the safety of Metropolitan Council employees or facilities is compromised or potentially compromised and requires immediate action to correct.”

I REQUEST THAT A PUBLIC EMERGENCY BE DECLARED, BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING:

Describe the nature of the emergency situation.

On October 1, 2019, a 300-foot segment of 1-MN-320 under Van White Memorial Blvd in the City of Minneapolis was found to be partially collapsed and a void was observed directly above the pipe, creating a hazardous condition for the roadway above it.

The City of Minneapolis has been contacted and is working with MCES staff on a road closure and repair plan.

Explain why this situation is a present, immediate, and existing emergency.

Work is required immediately to protect public health and protect roadway infrastructure.

Explain how this emergency does or will affect the healthy, safety, or welfare of the public or the safety of Metropolitan Council employees or facilities.

Work is required immediately to protect public health and safety.

Describe the supplies or services which must be acquired to remedy this emergency situation, including the estimated cost.

Excavation for interceptor repair and paving restoration work

Estimated Cost: \$1,000,000

Identify how you chose the contractor(s).

Will select contractor from existing prequalified contractor pool

I hereby certify that the information presented on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Requestor Signature

Remus, Christopher
 Signature

10/1/2019 2:55:00 PM
 Date

Supervisor Signature

Gordon, Adam
 Signature

10/1/2019 6:31:00 PM
 Date

Division Director/General Manager Signature

Thompson, Leisa
 Signature

10/4/2019 10:26:00 AM
 Date

Based on the above information, an emergency situation exists within the meaning of the Council Procurement Policy. Carrying out the competitive bidding process and the technical requirements of the Council's Procurement Policy and awaiting Council declaration of an emergency and approval for the purchase of materials or supplies or the making of emergency repairs would significantly and unacceptably delay the commencement of repair work on the above-referenced project. The Metropolitan Council, by its Procurement Policy, has delegated authority to the Regional Administrator to declare an emergency on behalf of the Council in such cases. Therefore, I declare on behalf of the Metropolitan Council, that an emergency exists as described above and that the emergency situation requires the immediate purchase of materials or supplies or the making of emergency repairs. I authorize the General Manager/Division Director named above to let appropriate contracts and make payments for the purchase of materials or supplies or the making of repairs necessary to meet the emergency situation without advertising for bids, without meeting other technical requirements of Council Procurement Policy, and without prior approval of the Council. If the costs to correct the emergency situation total \$100,000 or more, I direct that this emergency declaration and any such contracts and/or payments be presented to the Metropolitan Council for formal ratification at its next meeting.

Regional Administrator Signature

Vadis, Meredith
Signature

10/4/2019 10:47:00 AM
Date

Assigner

Jacoby, Jody
Signature

10/4/2019 11:43:00 AM
Date

Contract Manager / Purchasing Agent Oberoi, Harsh

Comments