

Environment Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 26, 2019

Subject: Coon Rapids L34 Improvements

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for project Coon Rapids L34 Improvements, MCES Project No. 805560, Contract No. 18P373, with Magney Construction, Inc. for their low responsive, responsible bid of \$5,204,448.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Committee Member Sterner asked why the four bids received were over the engineers estimate. Staff stated that mechanical and electrical cost were significantly higher than our engineer estimated.

Committee Member Zeran inquired if there are labor agreements for subcontractors. Staff stated there are no labor agreements on this project. Policy direction has not been given on this issue.

Committee Member Wulff asked if any of the materials and equipment could be reused if a project was planned in 15 years. Staff stated that it doesn't anticipate the reuse of equipment at this time. Improvements are required now due to the severe corrosion at the lift station.

Environment Committee

Meeting date: June 25, 2019

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 26, 2019

Subject: Coon Rapids L34 Improvements
District(s), Member(s): District 9, Raymond Zeran
Policy/Legal Reference: Policy 3-3, Expenditures
Staff Prepared/Presented: Adam Gordon 651-602-4503; Dan Chouinard 651-602-4564
Division/Department: MCES c/o Leisa Thompson, 651-602-8101

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Background

Originally constructed in 1963, Coon Rapids L34 will be renewed to enable the facility to operate while future capacity improvements are planned for construction in 15 to 20 years. This project will replace or renew all lift station process piping and equipment including pumps and motors, odor management equipment, and other equipment to improve operational efficiencies.

Four bids were received and opened on June 5, 2019. The bids ranged from \$5,204,448 to \$7,848,685. Magney Construction, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive, responsible bid, which was 18% more than the engineer’s estimate of \$4,418,577. Staff determined that the engineer’s estimate did not reflect current increased costs for building trades particularly electrical work.

The project is locally funded through Council general obligation bonds. The Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity has determined that Magney Construction, Inc. has exceeded the 12% Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal set for this project by committing 12.14% participation.

Rationale

Construction contract awards exceeding \$2,500,000 require Council authorization.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship and Sustainability. Public financial resources will be responsibly invested to support orderly and economic development while maintaining the regional wastewater system assets, which protects the region’s natural resources.

Funding

Project No. 805560 is included in the 2019 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

Current Authorization: \$6,189,274
Unencumbered Funds: \$5,445,509
Requested Amount: \$5,204,448

Known Support / Opposition

The City of Coon Rapids and Coon Creek Watershed District are in support of this project.