Business Item No. 2020-129

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 13, 2020

Subject: Hennepin Avenue Downtown Reconstruction Cooperative Construction Agreement, Contract 191088

Proposed Action

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Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities Assistant Director James Harwood presented this item. Chamblis asked for the contractor name and Harwood said it is Ti-Zack Concrete. Chamblis asked if this contractor will be handling the Real-Time Signs. Harwood said the signs will be installed under a different contract specific to technology at the shelters.

Motion by Atlas-Ingebretson, seconded by Chamblis. Motion carried, consent to Council.



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

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Expenditure Policy 3-3, Expenditures with Other Governmental Entities and MN Statutes 473.405

Staff Prepared/Presented: Wes Kooistra, General Manager, 612-349-7510 Marilyn Porter, Director, E&F, 612-349-7689 Jim Harwood, Assistant Director, E&F, 612-349-7339 Paul Lamb, Project Manager, E&F, 612-349-7653

Division/Department: Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities Projects

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Background

The City of Minneapolis is reconstructing Hennepin Avenue in Downtown Minneapolis over a three-year period. This segment of Hennepin Avenue is served by five (5) major local bus routes serving multiple corridors across the region. Metro Transit has coordinated with the City to locate eight (8) enhanced bus stops along the corridor to make sure they were located to help facilitate transit operations and transfers for customers and has previously entered into a design agreement for the City to include the enhanced bus stops in their roadway reconstruction design in order to make sure they fit in with the overall roadway project. These enhanced bus stops would include larger shelters with light and heat as well as real-time signs to inform customers of the next bus. This Cooperative Construction Agreement would reimburse the City for constructing the enhanced bus stops as part of their construction project.

This agreement identifies this fee as \$1,531,200.00 based on bids received by the City in addition to a 50% share for a permanent easement that the City will acquire for pedestrian, bicycle and transit use estimated at up to \$750,000. The City will hold the contract and have construction staff assigned to provide general construction administration of the total project.

The City competitively bid the project and received three bids. The City set a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE goal) goal of 16.8% and the low bid contractor met that goal.

Rationale

Council Policy requires Interagency Agreements valued at greater than \$500,000 be approved by Council.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Enhanced bus stops on Hennepin Avenue in downtown Minneapolis supports Thrive outcomes in outcomes including livability, prosperity, and equity by enhancing access to economic and personal opportunity through transit service



from Hennepin Avenue downtown to various parts of the metro region. The proposed action advances the stewardship outcome by coordinating construction with a partner agency in order to use resources more efficiently.

Funding

The contract will be funded through local capital funding.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.