

### Management Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 10, 2021

**Subject:** Ratification of Declaration of Emergency for I.S. Network Room Fire-Water Sprinkler Damage

#### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council ratifies the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for Rehabilitation of the Robert Street basement area and I.S. network room damaged by the failure of the Fire-Water Sprinkler causing damage to both areas.

#### Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Theresa Nistler, Assistant Director of IS, Finance and Budget presented Business item 2021-24. No questions were asked.

It was moved by Gonzales and seconded by Johnson, Consent to Council.

## Management Committee

Meeting date: January 27, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 10, 2021

**Subject:** Ratification of Declaration of Emergency for I.S. Network Room Fire-Water Sprinkler Damage

**District(s), Member(s):** All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurements of Goods and Services over \$500,000

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Theresa Nistler, Asst Dir IS, Finance & Budget, RA Information Services, 651-602-1504; Marie Henderson, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Finance, 651-602-1387

**Division/Department:** RA Information Services and Finance

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council ratifies the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for Rehabilitation of the Robert Street basement area and I.S. network room damaged by the failure of the Fire-Water Sprinkler causing damage to both areas.

### Background

On December 3, 2020, a failure of a fire-water sprinkler caused flooding damage to the basement of the Robert street building including an information services area of the lower level which held a substantial amount of production technology equipment.

Damage occurred to an area where both production technology equipment was housed as well as new equipment set to replace current equipment that had reached its regular useful life. The Council has retained **Mavo Systems** to dry out the floors and walls of the Robert street building within a day of the event to minimize the risk of mold developing in the area as well as evaluating all of the damaged technology equipment by the in-house Network team in conjunction with MTS to determine if any was salvageable and what equipment needed to be replaced. Some equipment has already been procured with the remainder being in process. The State of MN IT department was instrumental in assisting our in-house team to get systems up and running as quickly as possible and put into place temporary solutions until a full evaluation could take place to minimize down time.

### Rationale

Metropolitan Council has delegated authority to the Regional Administrator to declare emergencies on behalf of the Council when health, safety or welfare of the public is compromised or potentially compromised, and immediate action is required to address the emergency. The emergency declaration is then presented to the appropriate implementation committee for approval, and placed on a following Council consent list for formal ratification.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

**Stewardship** – Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain proper operations across the Council.

**Accountability** – Following policy 3-3, The Regional Administrator may authorize appropriate contracts and payments necessary to meet the emergency situation provided that, if the cost to correct the emergency situation totals \$175,000 or more, the emergency declaration shall also be presented to the appropriate committee for formal ratification at its next regular meeting.

## Funding

The Council's insurance carrier, AXA XL,\* will provide funding to rehabilitate the building and replace the damaged technology equipment.

PO20012521	Mavo Systems	Water/moisture remediation services	\$ 30,000.00
PO20012580	Paragon Dev Sys	Server order	\$ 10,217.25
CIM21P022	Motorola Solutions	MTS backup radio equipment	\$ 22,764.91
CIM21P023	Insight	Network gear, network optics & prof svcs	<u>\$280,000.00</u>
<b>Summary total to date</b>			<b>\$342,982.16</b>

## Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.

\* NOTE: The report to the Management Committee erroneously identified the Council's insurer as FM Global. After the Committee voted on the proposed action the Committee was advised that the report should have identified AXA XL as the Council's insurer for these damage claims. The Committee agreed the report should be modified to identify the correct insurer.