Environment Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 24, 2021

Subject: Adopt Facility Plan for the Fridley Lift Station L32A Project, MCES Project No. 809400

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Facility Plan for Fridley Lift Station L32A Project, MCES Project No. 809400 per Resolution No. 2021-5.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Council Member Sterner inquired about the appearance of high contingency percentages. Staff clarified the percentage of contingency is standard for this phase of the project and will be adjusted and are anticipated to decrease as the project progresses.

Chair Lindstrom stated he is interested to see how the remaining land will be utilized.

The proposed action was approved.



Environment Committee

Meeting date: February 9, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 24, 2021

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District(s), Member(s): District 2, Reva Chamblis

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Rule 7077.0272, subpart 3

Staff Prepared/Presented: Tim Wedin, 651-602-4571

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

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Facility Plan for Fridley Lift Station L32A Project, MCES Project No. 809400 per Resolution No. 2021-5.

Background

The Facility Plan recommends the design and construction of a new lift station (L32A) on property owned by the Council at 6900 East River Road in Fridley to replace the existing facility currently located in Brooklyn Park. The recommended project includes construction of the new lift station, odor control facilities, and features to improve facility resiliency. This project will increase system capacity, restore integrity, minimize wastewater spill potential, and maintain public health, safety, and welfare. Construction of this project is programmed for 2023-2026.

The Facility Plan was made available for public review on December 4, 2020. A virtual public hearing was conducted on December 17, 2020 and was attended by 32 residents. Sixteen questions were asked during the hearing and 4 additional comments were received during the comment period via email. MCES staff has responded to all of the questions and will further engage with each community (Brooklyn Park and Fridley) during design.

Following adoption by the Metropolitan Council, the Facility Plan will be submitted to MPCA in conjunction with an application for placement of the project on the Project Priority List for funding through the Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund beginning in fiscal year 2021.

Rationale

Public Facilities Authority (PFA) loan funding eligibility requires formal adoption of the Facility Plan by resolution (attached), following a public hearing on the draft Facility Plan.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive outcome of stewardship and the Thrive principle of collaboration. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain and restore wastewater infrastructure, which protects the regions natural resources.

Funding

Preliminary funds for the project's planning, design, and construction are included in the 2021 Capital Program. MCES will submit this project to PFA for inclusion in its 2021 Intended Use Plan.

Known Support / Opposition

MCES staff is not aware of opposition to the project.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-5 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE Facility Plan for New Lift Station L32A (Fridley) PROJECT NO. 809400

WHERE AS:

- 1. The Metropolitan Council is a public corporation and political subdivision of the State of Minnesota and has statutory responsibility for operating the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area regional wastewater collection and treatment system, and
- 2. The Metropolitan Council has determined it is necessary and convenient for the fulfillment of its statutory responsibilities to construct the Lift Station L32A Project, Project Number 809400, and
- 3. A draft Facility Plan for the project has been completed and a public hearing was held on December 17, 2020 to discuss the proposed project and the draft Facility Plan

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL,

that the Facility Plan for the New Lift Station L32A (Fridley) PROJECT NO. 809400

is hereby approved and adopted.

Adopted this 24th day of February 2021.

Charles A Zelle, Chair

Liz Sund, Recording Secretary