Committee Report

Business Item No. 2021-307

Management Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 9, 2022

Subject: Labor Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 49

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a labor agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 49, effective January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

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It was moved by Lee, seconded by Gonzales, motion carried.



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Meeting date: January 26, 2022

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District(s), Member(s): ALL

Policy/Legal Reference: Minn. Stat. 179.a (PELRA)

Staff Prepared/Presented: Marcy Cordes, Chief Labor Relations Officer, (651) 602-1582

Division/Department: Human Resource/Labor Relations

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Rationale

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Thrive Lens Analysis

Stewardship – As a settlement that falls within the financial parameters established by the Council for managing labor costs, the agreement demonstrates efficient and effective management of public financial resources.

Prosperity – The agreement represents a fair and reasonable wage settlement and demonstrates the Council's commitment to investment in its employees.

Funding

The labor agreement was negotiated within the parameters set by the Management Committee.

Known Support / Opposition

None