Metropolitan Council

Committee Report

Transportation Committee



Committee Meeting Date: June 27, 2022 For the Metropolitan Council: July 13, 2022

Business Item: 2022-161

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Summary of Transportation Committee Discussion/Questions

This item was on the consent list.

Motion by Fredson, second by Cummings to approve all consent items. Motion carried.

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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: FM14-1 Procurement Policy

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Division/Department: Metro Transit/Capital Programs

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Background

e-Builder is a cloud-based project management software. This project management system is currently used by staff working on the Green Line Extension and Blue Line Extension LRT projects and is being used for tasks including construction correspondence, reviews and change authorization, project documentation and archiving of documentation, and procurement processes. The amendment adds the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project and extends the duration through 2026.

The Council's current contract with e-Builder expires December 31, 2022. For the Green Line Extension and Blue Line Extension LRT projects, the proposed amendment would extend the contract until December 31, 2026. For the Gold Line BRT project, the amendment would provide e-Builder access beginning on July 1, 2022 with a termination date of July 1, 2025. The contract is being amended to add \$1.62 million and will be split across the project offices as shown below:

Project	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
Green Line						
Ext.	\$20,527.95	\$213,284.16	\$219,682.68	\$260,659.64	\$303,887.38	\$1,018,041.81
Blue Line						
Ext.	\$6,842.65	\$71,082.36	\$73,214.83	\$86,873.44	\$101,295.79	\$339,309.07
Gold Line	\$41,958.00	\$86,433.48	\$89,026.48	\$45,848.65	\$0.00	\$263,266.61

Rationale

Council Policy requires contract amendments with value increase more than 10% of the initial contract amount be approved by the Council.

The Council has already made a significant investment in the e-Builder Project Management System by establishing workflows, uploading documents, and training staff and third-party users. Continued use of e-Builder is economical, efficient, and operationally feasible as a sole source for the procurement.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Successful completion of the METRO Green Line Extension, Blue Line Extension and Gold Line will advance the Thrive MSP 2040 outcomes:

Stewardship: Transit investment provides an opportunity to reinvest and grow the capacity of our communities, with more inclusive development and intentional investment. It encourages businesses to invest in communities, which means access to resources, community amenities, jobs, and other community assets.

Equity: Connections to other METRO lines and countless local bus routes will bring people to jobs, jobs to communities, and returns to communities across the region.

Livability: These three lines will connect southwest, northwest, and east metro communities with downtown Minneapolis, downtown Saint Paul, and places in-between.

Prosperity: These three lines reflects strategic investment in regional infrastructure that will promote economic competitiveness and create prosperity for the region. There is already interest in private development underway along all three lines.

Sustainability: A robust transportation system is needed to provide the region choices and more mobility.

Funding

The services for this work order are eligible costs under the Green Line Extension Project (61001), Blue Line Extension Project (61403) and Gold Line Project (61402). Funds for the work are available in the Projects' budgets. This work is included in the Council's authorized capital budget.

Small Business Inclusion

This is a sole source procurement. Therefore, the Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) did not establish a small business inclusion goal.