

Committee Report

Environment Committee



Committee Meeting Date: July 25, 2023

For the Metropolitan Council: August 9, 2023

Business Item: 2023-165

Master Contracts for Interceptor Engineering Services, Contract 22P375

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contracts 22P375A-L for interceptor engineering services with cumulative not to exceed amount of \$52,000,000 as follows:

Organization	Contract Number	Contract Amount
Brown and Caldwell	22P375A	\$8,670,000
Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC.	22P375B	\$8,160,000
TKDA and Associates, Inc.	22P375C	\$3,000,000
Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.	22P375D	\$7,500,000
SEH, Inc.	22P375E	\$6,670,000
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	22P375F	\$3,330,000
CDM Smith, Inc.	22P375G	\$6,000,000
Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc.	22P375H	\$6,000,000
CNA Consulting Engineers	22P375I	\$1,000,000
Brierley Associates Corporation	22P375J	\$1,000,000
106 Group	22P375K	\$340,000
HDR Engineering, Inc.	22P375L	\$330,000

Summary of Environment Committee Discussion/Questions

CM Wulff asked: Did you find all the specialty skill sets that you were hoping to get bids from?

Staff responded: Yes, we got a good set of proposals. The last four listed are service area specific.

CM Cederberg asked: What exactly is it that the DBE's are doing as none of these are DBE firms? What type of work are the DBE's doing and how is the 15 percent proportioned?

Staff responded: The 15% is for each respective contract. Because of the different disciplines and scopes of work they have been authorized for, it is based on what the proposer submitted. CM

Carter asked: For the contract, is that isolated per interceptor? How does it break down?

Staff responded: They would work on the entire system, not a specific area.

CM Osman: The goal was 15 percent did we meet it, what was the exact number?

Staff responded: That information isn't public information. The only thing that is public at this time is the name of the proposer and the information in the business item. The Office of Equity and

Equal Opportunity reviewed all of the proposals and determined all met the minimum DBE requirements.

CM Cederberg: What is the length of the contract?

Staff responded: The term of the contract is 5-years.

Motion by CM Cederberg, seconded by CM Osman. Motion carried.



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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: FM 14-2 - Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy

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Background

These master contracts are needed to support the 2023-2028 Authorized Capital Program. The Request for Proposals was issued on November 29, 2022. A pre-proposal meeting was hosted by Council staff that outlined the solicitation requirements, discussed project specifications, and responded to plan holder inquires. There were thirty-five registered plan holders, thirty consultants, three subcontractors, two plan rooms, and ten plan holders identified as minority,

woman, veteran, small, or disadvantaged business enterprises. The Council received eighteen proposals on January 11, 2023, to be evaluated for the consideration of award.

In accordance with the Brooks Act, the evaluation of proposals followed a two-step process. An evaluation panel of Council staff and external stakeholders ranked and selected the most technically qualified proposers. Following approval of the evaluation panel findings, conclusions, and recommendations, the cost proposals of the highest ranked proposers were reviewed by a negotiation panel that negotiated pricing and agreed that the final prices have been determined to be fair and reasonable and a consensus was reached that the proposals submitted by the referenced list of proposers are the most advantageous to the Council.

Rationale

The execution of architecture and engineering contracts exceeding \$500,000 require Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcomes of Stewardship and Sustainability. Public financial resources will be responsibly invested to support orderly economic development while maintaining the regional wastewater system assets, which protect the region's natural resources.

Funding

Funding is provided in the 2023 Authorized Capital Program.

Small Business Inclusion

The Office of Equal Opportunity (OEEO) set a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of fifteen percent (15%). OEEO determined that all firms being recommended for award have met the DBE requirements of this contract.

