

Committee Report

Transportation Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: December 11, 2024

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Summary of Transportation Committee Discussion/Questions

Metro Transit Green Line Extension Deputy Project Director Nic Dial presented this item.

Motion by Morales, seconded by Chamblis. Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item could proceed consent to Council.



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District(s), Member(s):	District 3 (Carter), District 6 (Lilligren), District 7 (Osman), District 8 (Cameron)
Policy/Legal Reference:	FM 14-2 Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Lesley Kandaras, General Manager, 612-349-7513 Nick Thompson, Deputy GM Capital Programs, 651-602-1754 Jim Alexander, Project Director, 612-373-3880 Nic Dial, Deputy Project Director, 612-373-2974
Division/Department:	Metro Transit / METRO Green Line Extension Project Office

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Background

In November 2018, following a competitive solicitation process, the Council and Braun Intertec Corporation executed contract 18P018 in the amount of \$36,003,364 for quality management services for the METRO Green Line Extension Project through December 2022 (BI 2018-194).

The contract was subsequently amended due to Project requirements as follows:

- Amendment No. 1 was administrative and modified contract terms
- Amendment No. 2 added \$7.8 million (BI 2022-59)
- Amendment No. 3 added \$10 million and extended the contract term through December 2023 (BI 2022-307)
- Amendment No. 4 added \$6.5 million and extended the contract term through December 2024 (BI 2023-244)

Amendment No. 5 is required to continue quality management services through December 2026.

Rationale

Council Policy requires cumulative amendments exceeding 10% of the original authorized contract value be approved by the Council for a services contract. Amendments to contracts of this value that exceed 10% of the original value constitute sole source procurements requiring Council

approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Successful completion of the METRO Green Line Extension will advance the following 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: The METRO Green Line Extension will add 14.5 miles to the existing Line, which connects downtown Minneapolis, downtown Saint Paul, and places in-between. This segment connects Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Hopkins, and St. Louis Park to both downtown Minneapolis and Saint Paul, and major destinations at the University of Minnesota and the State Capitol.

Prosperity: The METRO Green Line Extension reflects strategic investment in regional infrastructure that will promote economic competitiveness and create prosperity for the region. Despite being under construction, the METRO Green Line Extension has already seen \$3.1 billion of investment within a half-mile of the line. Another \$738 million in investment is planned.

Sustainability: As many as 700,000 more people will be living, working, and moving around the Twin Cities region by 2040. As a result, a robust transportation system is needed to provide the region with choices and more mobility.

Funding

The cost for this amendment is a METRO Green Line Extension Project (61001) eligible cost. Funds are available in the Project budget and included in the Council's authorized capital budget.

Small Business Inclusion

The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEEO) assigned a DBE goal of 15% for this contract. As of September 30, 2024, the DBE achievement by Braun Intertec Corporation was 18.95%. OEEEO will continue to monitor this contract and DBE achievement.

