



Transportation Committee

Meeting date: December 17, 2012

Metropolitan Council Meeting: December 19, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: December 14, 2012

Subject: Southwest Light Rail Transit Project (Green Line Extension): Award Professional Preliminary Engineering Consultant Contract (12P176) for the Southwest Light Rail Transit – Hopkins, St. Louis Park and Minneapolis

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Procurement for Professional Services

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Division/Department: Metro Transit/ Southwest Project Office (SPO)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to:

- Negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Kimley-Horn & Associates for Preliminary Engineering Consultant services for the eastern portion of the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) Project in an amount not to exceed \$16,788,349.

Background

The Preliminary Engineering Consultant will provide engineering services for the eastern portion of the SWLRT.

Three firms responded to the Council's request for proposals. An Evaluation Panel representing project partners evaluated the proposals and ranked the Kimley-Horn proposal as the most advantageous for the Council.

Funding

Funding in the amount of \$49.1 million has been committed for 30% Preliminary Engineering from the following:

- \$32.8 million in Counties Transit Improvement Board funds
- \$9.3 million in Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority funds
- \$7 million in State Bond funds

The above funding amounts are available to complete 30% Preliminary Engineering.

Known Support / Opposition

Project partners participated in the evaluation and ranked the Kimley-Horn proposal as the most advantageous for the Council. No known opposition.