

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: June 24, 2013

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 10, 2013

Subject: Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) #22 with the City of Minneapolis

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) #22 in an amount not to exceed \$425,000 under the existing Master Funding Agreement to reimburse the City of Minneapolis for the installation of isolation couplers and a new valve for stray current protection on the watermain at the intersection of Ontario Street Southeast and Washington Avenue Southeast.

Background

The Metropolitan Council, at its January 27, 2010 meeting, established the contractual framework with the City of Minneapolis when it authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Funding Agreement for the construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) Project. The SFA provides the mechanism to transfer funds between the Metropolitan Council and the City of Minneapolis.

The Metropolitan Council will reimburse the City of Minneapolis for up to \$425,000 for documented staff time, material, and equipment costs incurred by the City for the installation of isolation couplers and a new valve for stray current protection of the watermain at the intersection of Ontario Street Southeast and Washington Avenue Southeast. This work is in coordination with CCLRT Construction work.

Rationale

The section of Minneapolis watermain along Ontario Street at the intersection with Washington Avenue requires the installation of isolation couplers and a new valve to protect against deterioration from stray electrical current. This work was originally contemplated as part of the Civil West contract but could not be installed during other utility work because this 48-inch watermain can only be impacted during the low flow months in the fall. The work is proposed to be done this fall utilizing City of Minneapolis work forces.

SFAs exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Funding is available from the CCLRT Project Contingency Budget.

Known Support / Opposition

The City of Minneapolis supports this subordinate funding agreement. No known opposition.