# Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 13, 2013

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 22, 2013

**Subject:** Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): Contract Amendment for Element Materials Technology

### District(s), Member(s): All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405, Met Council 3-3 Expenditures Policy

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Division/Department: Metro Transit / Central Corridor Project Office

## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to:

- Exceed the 10% amendment authority for professional and technical services contracts, and
- Amend the Element Materials Technology Contract to a total amended contract value in an amount not to exceed \$613,430 for work related to the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT).

## Background

The Metropolitan Council, at its July 14, 2010 meeting, authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Element Materials Technology (formally known as Stork Twin City Testing Corporation) to conduct independent testing services during construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) project in an amount not to exceed \$435,000. The independent testing services include work on all four major construction contracts: Civil East, Civil West, Operations and Maintenance Facility, and Systems.

On September 15, 2010, the Council entered into a Contract with Element Materials Technology in the amount of \$432,055 to provide Architectural and/or Engineering testing services in connection with the CCLRT project.

On June 15, 2012, the Council executed Amendment 1 to increase the contract by \$18,845 to a Maximum Total Compensation of \$450,900. That Amendment included additional services required for inspection and process validation for items manufactured in Nebraska and Texas.

On January 23, 2013, the Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an Amendment 2 to increase the contract by \$139,530 to a Maximum Total Compensation of \$590,430 and exceed the 10% amendment authority for professional and technical services contracts. Amendment 2 included additional services required for special inspections and verification testing of the CCLRT System.

Staff is requesting that a third amendment be executed to include the following items:

- Reinforcing Steel Observations
- Concrete Special Inspections
- Masonry Special Inspections
- Elastomeric Pad Inspection

This additional work does not exceed \$23,000. The total increase to the contract for Amendments 1, 2, and 3 will total \$181,375.

## Rationale

This additional amendment is required to complete the independent testing services for construction of the CCLRT project.

Council authorization is required for contract amendments when the total increase for amendments exceeds 10% of the original contract amount. Execution of Amendment 3 continues the total amended value of this contract to be greater than 10% of the original contract value.

## Funding

Funding is available from CCLRT Project Contingency Budget.

## Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.