# Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 27, 2014

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 12, 2014

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): Additional Change Order

Authority for the Systems Contract

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 an additional 2.5% (\$2,196,259) above the currently authorized construction contract change order authority of \$6,149,525 to a revised change order authority of \$8,345,784 for the Central Corridor (Green Line) Systems Contract.

### **Background**

Council Policy allows for 5% change order authority on construction contracts without further authorization by the Council. In May 2013 the Council approved an additional 2% change order authority for a total of 7%. A few significant changes have occurred during the completion of the System's contract to deplete this 7% change order authority. These change orders are described as follows:

- Electro Magnetic Interference (EMI) testing requirements through the University of Minnesota campus, as required by the Memorandum of Understanding with the University. EMI testing is led by the Council; however, additional work is required by the contractor to assist with this testing.
- Variable Message Sign displays at all stations platforms were supplied with two additional wire cables to allow for additional functionality.
- The overhead catenary system (OCS) at the Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) was modified to separate the yard and shop power. This allows rail operations more flexibility in operating and maintaining the system.

Staff is requesting that the Council authorize an additional 2.5% of contract change order authority for additional known change order exposures, such as:

- Modifications at the 35W tie-in necessary to meet EMI requirements
- Generators at substations due to delay in Xcel power supply
- Integration of communication and security systems at skyway and vertical circulation in St. Paul

With this request, the Council would authorize use of a total of 9.5% change order authority under this contract as detailed below.

Original Contract Value	\$87,850,350	
Initial Change Order Authority	\$ 4,392,518	5%
Additional Change Order Authority (2013-131)	\$1,757,007	2%
Additional Change Order Authority (2014-017)	\$2,196,259	2.5%
Amended Change Order Authority	\$8,345,784	9.5%

The 15% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal applies to the additional change order authority.

#### Rationale

The currently authorized change order contingency of 7% is nearly depleted. The System's contract is scheduled to be substantially complete in February 2014. Additional change order authority is required because additional change order exposures will need to be addressed to successfully complete this contract.

## **Funding**

The CCLRT Project has available funds from the CCLRT Project Contingency for this additional change order authority.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

No known opposition.