

## Transportation Committee

Meeting date: July 12, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 28, 2021

**Subject:** Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) SEH Contract Amendment No. 3 for Construction Monitoring for Contaminated Materials, Contract 16P298

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

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Council Expenditure Policy 3-3, Procurement of Goods and Services

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**Division/Department:** Metro Transit / Green Line Extension Project Office

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 to Contract 16P298 with Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc. (SEH) for Construction Monitoring for Contaminated Materials to add \$3,116,522 for a total contract amount of \$6,115,508.

### Background

The contract with SEH was executed in March 2018 in the amount of \$2,145,606, prior to the November 2018 contract award for Civil Construction. Amendment No. 2 was executed in 2020 and increased the contract value by \$853,380 to cover the delay in the start of the civil construction and the increased amount of oversight required due to the Civil Contractor's means and methods varying from SEH's assumptions from its original cost proposal, including longer work hours and different construction activity staging. This action was approved by the Council on October 28, 2020 (BI No. 2020-254).

Amendment No. 3 is required to provide consultant support for contaminated materials monitoring for the additional quantities added to the Civil Contract under Change Order No. 327, which was approved by the Council on May 26, 2021 (BI No. 2021-108). The change order increased the amount of contaminated soils disposal by 903,000 tons compared with the original quantity of 853,275 tons.

Amendment No. 3 also extends the contract termination date to allow time for post-construction reporting and agency coordination.

The DBE goal established for this contract is 15%. SEH is currently achieving over 18% DBE participation. This amendment will include work performed by DBE firms such that SEH continue to maintain a minimum 15% DBE participation for the overall contract.

## **Rationale**

This amendment is required so that the Council can continue monitoring contaminated materials and meet its commitments set forth in the Project's environmental documentation and to meet regulatory requirements.

The SEH team is uniquely qualified to conduct the work in this amendment because of the extensive coordination the team has done to date with Council staff and the Civil Contractor and allows the work to continue seamlessly.

## **Thrive Lens Analysis**

**Livability:** The Green Line Extension will increase the region's prosperity as it will provide access to 80,900 forecasted jobs and a new transportation option for 55,800 forecasted residents within ½ mile of the planned new stations in addition to the 145,300 forecasted jobs and 35,600 forecasted residents in downtown Minneapolis.

**Prosperity:** The Green Line Extension reflects strategic investment in regional infrastructure that will promote economic competitiveness and create prosperity for the region.

## **Funding**

The work for this change order is a Southwest LRT Project (61001) eligible cost. Funds for the work are available in the Project budget. This work is included in the Council's authorized capital budget.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to this action.