

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 24, 2022

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 9, 2022

Subject:	Mobile Column Lifts for Minneapolis Bus Garage, Contract 21P382
District(s), Member(s):	District 7, Robert Lilligren
Policy/Legal Reference:	FM 14-2 - Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy; Minn. Stat. § 471.345
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit – Engineering & Facilities

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract 21P382 for mobile column lifts with Stertil-Koni, Inc, utilizing the State of Minnesota Contract L-348 (5), for the Minneapolis Bus Garage system in the amount not to exceed \$542,000.

Background

With the upcoming opening of the Minneapolis Bus Garage, the Bus Maintenance staff will need mobile column lifts to support the planned bus service. Primarily, the mobile column lifts are used for the maintenance staff to repair the buses. Metro Transit will need a total of seven sets of six mobile column lifts. Two sets will be required for the AC shop and five sets for the repair bays.

The Council is dependent upon a stable secure transit services system to conduct daily business. The mobile column lifts from Stertil-Koni, Inc., are utilized throughout several garages in the system and are familiar to technicians that service the fleet.

Rationale

The execution of a goods and professional/technical services contract in excess of \$500,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action furthers the Thrive outcomes of Stewardship and Prosperity and Equity and Livability by leveraging transit investments with higher expectations of land use through needed facility development to support expanded bus service.

The new Minneapolis Bus Garage will provide additional bus storage, operations, support functions, and maintenance space for planned growth in ridership demand and upcoming service infrastructure investment through expansion. By allowing the expansion of the bus fleet, it will increase mobility and access to opportunities for all residents, across race, economic means and ability.

Funding

The capital funding for this item is part of Metro Transit Project 62312 Minneapolis Bus Garage. Funds for the work are available in the Project budget. This work is included in the Council's authorized capital budget.

Small Business Inclusion

The Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) thoroughly reviewed this procurement in accordance with applicable federal and state laws regulations. A goal DBE/MCUB was not set upon results of the analysis.

Known Support / Opposition

No opposition is known at this time.