

# Business Item

Transportation Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: March 13, 2024

## Business Item: 2024-49

METRO Green Line Extension Civil Construction Change Order – Additional Contaminated Soil Disposal Contract 15P307A

<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	District 3 (Carter), District 6 (Lilligren), District 8 (Cameron)
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	FM 14-1 Procurement Policy, FM 14-2 Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy
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<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metro Transit/Green Line Extension

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a change order for Contract 15P307A with Lunda McCrossan Joint Venture (LMJV) for additional contaminated soil disposal in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

### Background

The contract includes the disposal of 1,697,888 tons of contaminated soil. This change order adds approximately 175,000 tons of contaminated soil disposal for a total of approximately 1,872,888 tons. The additional quantity is needed due to:

- The quantity of contaminated soils was much higher toward the end of the 2023 construction season than originally anticipated;
- Peat and debris were encountered in otherwise clean soils requiring the soil to be reclassified as contaminated; and
- Change orders that involved removal of soil required more contaminated soil removal than originally anticipated.

### Rationale

Change orders for a construction contract exceeding 10% of the original authorized value require Council approval.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

Successful completion of the METRO Green Line Extension will advance the following Thrive MSP 2040 outcomes:

Stewardship: Transit investment provides an opportunity to reinvest and grow the capacity of our communities, with more inclusive development and intentional investment. It encourages

businesses to invest in communities, which means access to resources, community amenities, jobs, and other community assets.

**Equity:** Connections to other METRO lines and countless local bus routes will bring people to jobs, jobs to communities, and returns to communities across the region.

**Livability:** The METRO Green Line Extension will add 14.5 miles to the existing Line, which connects downtown Minneapolis, downtown Saint Paul, and places in-between. This segment connects Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Hopkins, and St. Louis Park to both downtown Minneapolis and Saint Paul, and major destinations at the University of Minnesota and the State Capitol.

**Prosperity:** The METRO Green Line Extension reflects strategic investment in regional infrastructure that will promote economic competitiveness and create prosperity for the region. Despite being under construction, the METRO Green Line Extension has already seen \$2.8 billion of investment within a half-mile of the line. Another \$780 million in investment is planned.

**Sustainability:** As many as 700,000 more people will be living, working, and moving around the Twin Cities region by 2040. As a result, a robust transportation system is needed to provide the region with choices and more mobility.

## **Funding**

The cost for this change order is a METRO Green Line Extension Project (61001) eligible cost. Funds are available in the Project (No. 61001) budget and included in the Council's authorized capital budget.

## **Small Business Inclusion**

The DBE goal established for this contract is 16%. LMJV is currently achieving 23.9% DBE participation as of December 31, 2023. This change order will include work performed by DBE firms such that LMJV will continue to maintain a minimum 16% DBE participation for the overall contract.

