

Business Item

Transportation Committee



Committee Meeting Date: October 14, 2024

For the Metropolitan Council: October 23, 2024

Business Item: 2024-280

Snow Removal Minneapolis Campus Facilities, Contract 24P042

District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	FM 14-2 – Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit/Engineering and Facilities

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 24P042 with SnowPros for snow removal services that will support Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities in an amount not to exceed \$600,030.

Background

This contract will provide service at the Heywood campus, which includes the Heywood tower, Metro Transit Police headquarters, Operations Service Center, Transit Control Center and the Heywood bus garage.

An Invitation for Bids was advertised on June 21, 2024. A pre-bid meeting was hosted by Council staff that outlined the solicitation requirements, discussed project specifications, and responded to plan holder inquiries. There were eight plan holders, seven prime bidders, one plan room, and five plan holders identified as a woman, minority, small, veteran or disadvantaged business enterprises. Procurement facilitated a public bid opening on August 6, 2024, and three bids were received.

The three bids received ranged from \$600,030 to \$1,662,015. SnowPros was determined to be the low, responsive, responsible bidder and is being recommended for award.

Rationale

The execution of a service contract that exceeds \$500,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action furthers the Thrive outcomes of Sustainability, Stewardship, and Equity within the region. Maintaining Metro Transit facilities that provide reliable, affordable, and safe mass transportation to our customers demonstrates efficient and effective use of public financial resources and enhances quality of life for communities where transit stations are located.

Funding

Funding will be included in future Council authorized operating budgets.

Small Business Inclusion

The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) assigned a Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal of 10% for this solicitation. OEEO determined that the firm being recommended for award has met the MCUB requirements of this contract.

