

Business Item 2022-318 JT:
**Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement
with MPCA for Monitoring Program
Support**

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Environment Committee



History

- The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) funded Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program (WOMP2) started in 1998
 - Similar to the MCES' WOMP1 program with a different funding source
- Since 2007, funding has been provided by the Legislature through Clean Water Funds appropriated to the MPCA
- Data is used by the Council in regional assessments, local watershed management organizations, and MPCA impairment assessments and watershed pollutant load programs

Background

- 2018-2019 Original Joint Power Agreement (JPA) was \$300,000
- 2020-2021 JPA Amendment added \$238,500 and extended through 3/31/2022
- 9-month 2022 Amendment proposed to extend through the end of 2022 added \$71,222.47
 - This would be the 5th year of the agreement which is the maximum allowed at the MPCA.
- Now looking to enter new 2-year JPA for 2023-2024

Proposed Action

- That the Metropolitan Council, Committee of the Whole authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Contract 22G002 with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to enter new Joint Powers Agreement for 1/1/2023 through 12/31/2024 and accept Clean Water Funds from the Minnesota Legislature in the amount of up to \$250,000.

Questions

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