

Metropolitan Council/Hennepin County

Meeting of the SWLRT Executive Change Control Board
April 9, 2021

Members Present:	Charlie Zelle	Irene Fernando	Marion Greene
	Molly Cummings	Debbie Goettel	Rafael Ortega

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charlie Zelle called the April 9, 2021 meeting of the Executive Change Control Board to order at 11:10 a.m. via a conference line. There was a quorum of members to start the meeting.

2. MINUTES FROM MARCH 12, 2021 MEETING

Commissioner Goettel made a motion to approve the draft minutes of March 12, 2021. Council Member Cummings seconded the motion. Following a roll call, the minutes were approved.

3. RESOLUTION 21-004

Brian Runzel reviewed the resolution. This change is to increase the freight rail maintenance allowance to cover maintenance costs through 2021.

Commissioner Goettel asked why the base contract didn't include more money for maintenance. Brian explained that there are two factors driving freight maintenance costs. An FRA track inspection was performed in early 2020 which resulted in a more robust tie replacement effort than was originally contemplated. Additionally, on-call signal maintainer contractors are not available locally which resulted in an out of state specialty contractor performing the work. Jim Alexander mentioned that after construction, the Council may be able to use a local company for this work as less maintenance will be required for the newly constructed track.

Council Member Cummings made a motion to approve Resolution 21-004. Commissioner Greene seconded. After a roll call vote, Resolution 21-004 was approved.

4. RESOLUTION 21-005

Brian Runzel reviewed the resolution. This change is for additional cost to the HWY 62 tunnel Phase II bypass to address unforeseen conditions and to mitigate schedule impacts.

Commissioner Goettel asked about coordination with MnDOT on the traffic control plan. Brian said that MnDOT has been very cooperative during this work. The contractor's traffic control plan, which is required by contract, would have severely limited travel speeds. Since the bypass will be in place for an extended time the limited travel speed was not compatible with MnDOT standards. As such, a more robust design was required to accommodate reasonable travel speeds.

Council Member Cummings made a motion to approve Resolution 21-005. Commissioner Fernando seconded. After a roll call vote, Resolution 21-005 was approved.

4. MONTHLY REPORT ON CHANGE ORDERS

Brian Runzel reviewed the report on new change orders under \$350,000. Since the last ECCB meeting, there were 23 new change orders to the Civil Construction contract, and two for the Franklin O&M Facility. All 25 had dollar amounts below the ECCB approval level.

Commissioner Goettel asked why change order 283 to adjust one of the project's storm water retention ponds was needed and Brian explained that the storm water pipe size needed to be adjusted to fit the manholes.

Commissioner Goettel asked why change order 286 for engraved labels for \$56,207.95 was so expensive and Brian explained that was because there were nearly 400 labels. He further explained that it was necessary to label the test boxes so there would be no confusing when technicians needed to access them in the future.

Commissioner Goettel asked why change order 297 for elevator shaft wall modifications was necessary. Brian explained that the wall needed to change to accommodate the contractor's elevator mounting bracket and to change the wall type from steel stud to concrete masonry units to comply with fire code requirements.

Commissioner Goettel asked why tie off anchors for roof access in change order 299 were required. Brian explained that the tie off anchors were for window washers to clean the windows at Southwest Station and that the Council's plan was to use equipment with a boom to wash the windows. The Authority Having Jurisdiction, however, required tie off anchors as part of the permitting process.

Commissioner Fernando also voiced her concern with the contingency use.

Commissioner Goettel made a motion to receive the monthly report on change orders. Council Member Cummings seconded. A roll call was taken, and the report was received.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Hoffner, Recording Secretary