

Business Item

Environment Committee



Committee meeting date: March 24, 2026

For the Metropolitan Council: April 8, 2026

Business Item: 2026-57

Contract 25P150: Scaffolding System Services for All Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Water Resource Recovery Facilities (WRRFs)

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:	MCES / Maintenance and Security Department

Proposed action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 25P150 with Gagnon Inc. to provide Scaffolding Systems Services for MCES facilities in an amount not to exceed \$3,306,908.

Background

This contract is intended to furnish all labor, equipment, materials, and services necessary to install, modify, and certify temporary scaffolding and associated appurtenances at various MCES facilities throughout the seven-county metropolitan area. The work includes scaffold erection in confined-space environments and at heights of up to 80 feet, as required to safely support maintenance, repair, and construction activities.

The Invitation for Bids (IFB) was advertised on September 30, 2025. A pre-bid meeting was conducted by Metropolitan Council staff to review solicitation requirements, discuss project specifications, and respond to questions from plan holders. Six entities registered as plan holders, including one prime contractor, three suppliers/subcontractors, one plan room, and three firms identified as woman, minority, small business, veteran, or disadvantaged-business enterprises.

Procurement facilitated a public bid opening on October 30, 2025. Two bids were received ranging from \$3,306,907.80 to \$3,329,665.20. Gagnon Inc. was determined to be the low, responsive, responsible bidder and is recommended for award.

Rationale

The execution of a non-construction services contract exceeding \$2,000,000 requires Council authorization.

Thrive lens analysis

On February 12th, 2025, the council adopted Imagine 2050 which builds on policy direction in thrive MSP 2040. Under the thrive lens, approval of this action supports the Thrive outcome of

stewardship by ensuring public financial resources are invested efficiently and effectively to maintain Metropolitan Council Environmental Services' assets and systems.

Funding

Funding for this contract is included in the annual operating budgets of the respective MCES Water Resource Recovery Facilities (WRRFs) and will be expended based on actual service needs.

Small business inclusion

The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) thoroughly reviewed this procurement for Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) opportunities in accordance with applicable law and the contract specifications. Upon conclusion of OEEO's research and analysis, no MCUB goal was set.

