

Committee Report

Environment Committee



Committee meeting date: February 10, 2026

For the Metropolitan Council: February 25, 2026

Business Item: 2026-34

Master Contract for Electrical Distribution & Facilities Improvement Services

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Summary of Environment Committee discussion/questions

- CM Cederberg asked: Is this a multiyear contract?
- Staff responded: Yes, this is a 5-year contract.

Motion by CM Morales, seconded by CM Wulff. Motion carried.



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District(s), member(s): All

Policy/legal reference: FM 14-2 Expenditures for Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy

Staff prepared/presented: Heidi Hutter, Assistant Manager Plant Engineering, 651-602-1026

Division/department: Environmental Services / Plant Engineering

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Background

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued on May 14, 2025. Pre-proposal meetings were hosted by Council staff on May 30, 2025, and August 19, 2025, that outlined the solicitation requirements, discussed project specifications and responded to plan holder inquiries. There were thirty-two registered plan holders, twenty-six consultants, three subcontractors, three plan rooms, and eight of the plan holders identified as minority, woman, small, veteran, or disadvantaged business enterprises. On September 11, 2025, the Council received 4 proposals to be evaluated for consideration of award.

The evaluation panel consisted of seven Council staff. The criteria used to evaluate the proposals were: the quality of the proposal, the experience of the proposer, the qualifications of the proposer, and the price. The evaluation panel reached consensus that the proposals submitted by Black and Veatch and SEH and TKDA provide the best overall value to the Council.

Rationale

The execution of professional service contracts exceeding \$2,000,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive lens analysis

This action supports the Thrive outcome of stewardship as the work supports efforts to maintain the region's wastewater treatment system.

Funding

Funding is provided in the authorized capital program.

Small business inclusion

The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) assigned a Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal of 5% for this solicitation. OEEO determined that the firms being recommended for award have met the MCUB requirements of this contract.

