

# Committee Report

Environment Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: May 13, 2026

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### Summary of Environment Committee discussion/questions

Staff and Council members discussed how engineering firms were selected for this contract, possible risks and procurement goals. Timelines and highlights were also discussed.

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



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**District(s), Member(s):** District 1, Judy Johnson  
**Policy/Legal Reference:** FM 14-2 Expenditures for Procurement of Goods, Services, and Real Estate Policy  
**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Mark Lundgren, Principal Engineer, Plant Engineering, (651) 602-1868  
**Division/Department:** Environmental Services/Capital Design and Delivery

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### Background

The facility plan which recommends construction of the new Crow River WRRF in Rogers, MN was approved by Council February 26, 2025. The 2026 capital program includes funding for design services. This contract provides those services and others.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued on August 27, 2025. A preproposal meeting was hosted by Council staff on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10am 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 October 27, 2025, the Council received 8 proposals to be evaluated for consideration of award.

The evaluation panel consisted of five Council staff. The criteria used to evaluate the proposals were: the quality of the proposal, the experience of the proposer, and the qualifications of the proposer. The evaluation panel reached consensus that the proposals submitted by HDR, Hazen and Sawyer, and HR Green are most advantageous 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 (OEEEO) did not assign a DBE goal for this solicitation.

