



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: February 3, 2015

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable John Quincy, Chair Ways and Means Committee

Subject: **Cooperative Agreement with Hennepin County for Water Main Work**

Recommendation:

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Hennepin County for proposed improvements to the support system of an existing City-Owned Water Main in conjunction with a County project to renovate the Franklin Avenue Bridge. The estimated cost of these improvements is \$826,200.00.

Previous Directives:

None

Department Information:

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Approved by:

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Financial Impact

Action is within current department budget.

Background/Supporting Information

The City of Minneapolis owns a 48-inch diameter steel water main which is suspended from the deck of the Franklin Avenue Bridge, which is owned by Hennepin County. The County plans to renovate the bridge beginning in 2015.

Public Works has identified a number of water main roller bearings that should be replaced, along with repainting the support structure upon which the water main and roller bearings are placed. Public Works and Hennepin County agreed that it would be beneficial for this work to be done by the County's contractor in conjunction with the bridge renovation project. The City and its Consulting Engineer prepared bidding documents for the water main improvements, and the County has included them in its bidding documents for the project. Funding for this work will come from the Water Distribution Capital Budget.

The proposed Cooperative Agreement contains all of the rights and responsibilities of both parties and defines the scope, amount, and mechanism of payment by the City to the County for the work. The City Attorney's Office and Public Works-Water Division have reviewed the proposed Cooperative Agreement and found it to be acceptable. A copy of the agreement is available for viewing in the office of the City Engineer. Key points from the agreement include:

- The County's contractor will perform the work, and the City will reimburse the County for the work after reviewing and accepting the work.
- The City has the right to inspect the work and to review and approve changes to the work.
- The City will promptly reimburse the County for Construction Engineering and Administration costs, on a basis of 8% of the Bid amount of Water main related work.
- Both parties agree to be responsible for their own actions and to indemnify each other for actions or inactions under their control.
- The City agrees to coordinate necessary maintenance or repairs to the water main with the County Project, and may participate in settlement of delay claims for action or inaction on its part.
- The City will not charge the County's contractor for permits required for the water main work.
- Should additional work on the water main be identified, the contractor will be asked to provide a proposal for performing the work, and should proposal be acceptable to both City and County, the County will enter into a supplemental agreement with the contractor, to which the terms of this agreement will apply.
- Standard City and County governmental terms and conditions will apply.