



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2020

COMMITTEE ON STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Niles for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Greenwood Stormwater Park (18-IGA-31), in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1548923 (*Deferred from the October 15, 2020 Board Meeting*)

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with and make payment to the Village of Niles for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Greenwood Stormwater Park (18-IGA-31), in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00.

On May 17, 2018, the Board of Commissioners authorized the District to negotiate IGAs to assist various local municipalities and other governmental organizations with local stormwater management projects, including the Village of Niles (Village). Under this project, the Village proposes to install a new storm sewer and surface and underground storage areas to provide flood relief to nearby residential and commercial properties in Niles, Illinois. The project will provide flood relief for 87 structures and will reduce stormwater flooding in a 200-acre area in the Village.

The District and the Village have agreed in principle to the terms of the IGA, which include payment by the District towards construction costs of the captioned project in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00. Partial payments to the Village will be made at predefined intervals during construction, which is anticipated to commence in 2021. As of this date the Village has spent approximately \$2,945,429.86 on engineering, property acquisition, and other design-related project costs. The Village will also contribute approximately \$8,164,000.00 towards future construction costs. The IGA requires the Village to award all project-related construction contracts using the District's Purchasing Act, Multi-Project Labor Agreement, and Affirmative Action Requirements as minimum requirements.

The Affirmative action goals to be applied to the total amount of reimbursement provided by the District for this project are 20 percent for Minority-owned Business Enterprises, 10 percent for Women-owned Business Enterprises, 10 percent for Small Business Enterprises, and 3 percent for Veteran-owned Business Enterprises. The Village will assume responsibility for design, construction, perpetual maintenance, and operation of the project, and be solely responsible for any change orders. The IGA also contains provisions which allow the District to review the project's design and perform inspections after the project is constructed.

Based on the foregoing, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners grant authority to enter into an IGA with and make payment to the Village in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00. It is further requested that the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, Executive Director, and Clerk be authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the District, as well as any documents necessary to effectuate the transaction and conveyance, upon approval by the Director of Engineering as to technical matters and by the General Counsel

as to form and legality.

Funds are being requested in 2021, in Account 501-50000-612400, and are contingent on the Board of Commissioners' approval of the District's budget for that year.

Requested, Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, WSS:JK

Recommended, Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for November 5, 2020