



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

Agenda Item

Item 4. F. – Reimburse Carver Water Management Organization for West Chaska Creek Re-meander Project

Prepared By

Linda Loomis, Administrator

Summary

In February 2019, the Carver County Watershed Management Organization (CCWMO) approached the LMRWD to participate in a project to re-establish meanders in West Chaska Creek. The goals of the project was to reduce sediment loads reaching the Minnesota River by adding BMPs to West Chaska Creek, which had been straightened for agricultural drainage purposes. The project was outside the boundaries of the LMRWD. A cooperative agreement between the LMRWD and the CCWMO was authorized and signed in April 2020.

The project is complete and the CCWMO has requested reimbursement. Funding for this project was included in the 2019 budget. Young Environmental was asked to review the reimbursement request on behalf of the LMRWD and recommends approving reimbursement contingent upon a field inspection of the project.

Attachments

LMRWD Board of Managers meeting minutes excerpt from April 2020 approving cooperative agreement
Reimbursement request from CCWMO – including supporting documentation (Request for reimbursement, invoices, and cooperative agreement)

Recommended Action

Motion to authorize reimbursement to Carver County WMO for West Chaska Creek Re-meander project contingent upon the outcome of a final field inspection of the project by Young Environmental Consulting Group on behalf of the LMRWD

Manager Raby asked if the fees are enough to cover the estimated costs for the completing reviews. Ms. Young said that at the moment they are not sufficient and are aligned with the fees charged by surrounding watershed districts. She noted that reviewing projects in High Value Resource Areas may align better. She noted that the fees do not necessarily correlate with the complexity of a project; that sometimes smaller projects take more time and are charged less.

She said the majority of the reviews that will be conducted by the District will be MNDOT projects and will not be charged a fee. Manager Raby asked if this is a result of the reviews being conducted by the local entity. Ms. Young said that is correct.

Attorney Kolb noted that project reviews should be structured to be revenue neutral. Fees should cover the actual cost realized by the District to permit and inspect projects. He noted that the District has the ability to change the fee schedule as it moves forward and has real day to day experience with the cost of projects reviews and oversight.

E. 2020 Legislative Action

Administrator Loomis said she didn't have anything to report and asked Ms. Frenette to report. Ms. Frenette said the legislature has moved back in to action. She said she has spoken with Senators Ingebrigtsen and Hall about how important it is to the LMRWD request to reallocate money from the dredge site to replace the grant that for the Seminary Fen Ravine stabilization that was lost. Representative Cantrell has had the bill heard in the house Environmental Committee and it was laid over for inclusion in the omnibus bill.

She noted that a Freeway Landfill Bill was being heard in the Judiciary Committee. The Bill deals with the ability of property owner to benefit from clean up of the property by the State.

She noted next year's funding will be tight with the state of the economy. President Hartmann asked how it will be. Ms. Frenette said it looks pretty bad.

F. Education and Outreach Plan

No information to report since last update.

G. LMRWD Projects

(only projects that require Board action will appear on the agenda. Informational updates will appear on the Administrator Report)

i. West Chaska Creek

Administrator Loomis said this project is in the 2018 capital improvement plan. She said a cost share agreement between the Carver County WMO and the LMRWD for this project is before the Board for approval and execution authorization. The agreement has been reviewed by legal counsel who recommended some edits. CCWMO accepted the edits and staff is recommending approval. The term of the agreement will end 10 years after the completion of construction. Contribution by the LMRWD is \$50,000.

Manager Raby asked what the projected total cost is. Administrator Loomis said the total for phase one and two is over \$1.5 million. [Upon review of the project after the meeting Administrator Loomis corrected the cost of the project, which is estimated to cost \$352,230.]

Attorney Kolb noted the amount of contribution by the LMRWD was not apportioned according to a percentage but on the benefits of the project to the District.

Manager Raby made a motion to approve the agreement and authorize execution. The motion was seconded by President Hartmann. Upon a vote being taken the following voted in favor of the motion: Frey, Hartmann and Raby the following voted against: None.

Invoice

Invoice No PWM-22-007

Date 05/27/22



Carver County

Financial Services Division
 PO Box 69
 Chaska, MN 55318-0069

* **Bill To: Linda Loomis**
 Lower Minnesota River Watershed District
 112 East Fifth St, Suite 102
 Chaska, MN 55318

Make checks payable to:
 Carver County

* **For: Chaska Creek Remeander Stilling Basin**

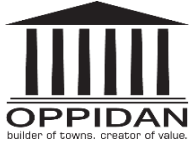
Date	Description	Amount
05/17/22	Chaska Creek Remeander Stilling Basin	\$ 27,441.00
TOTAL		\$ 27,441.00

Fund	Dept	Program	Service	Object	Amount
16	000	157	0424	5280	\$ 27,441.00
Total					\$ 27,441.00

Submitted by:
Tim Sundby

PWM

952-361-1816
 Phone



400 Water Street, Suite 200
Excelsior, MN 55331
Phone: 952.294.0353

Invoice

DATE May 17, 2022
INVOICE MG002
DUE DATE Upon Receipt

Bill To:

Carver County
Attn: Tim Sundby
600 E 4th Street
Chaska, MN 55318

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Chaska Creek Settling Basin Work 2021 - Remaining Balance - See attached Frattalone Change Order - Previously paid \$20,000 on inv # MG001	\$7,441.00
PAYMENT DUE	\$7,441.00

Please Remit Payment to:

Oppidan, Inc.
400 Water Street, Suite 200
Excelsior, MN 55331



SUBCONTRACTOR CHANGE ORDER

To: Oppidan
400 Water Street , Suite 200
Excelsior, MN 55331

Project: Chaska Creek
FCI Job #: 21065.1
CO Number One
Date: 10/12/2021

CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER DESCRIPTION

Settling Basin Installation

Excavation	587 CY @	\$3.00 =	\$1,761.00
Rip Rap	50 CY @	\$125.00 =	\$6,250.00
Erosion Blanket & Seed	1300 SY @	\$2.00 =	\$2,600.00
48" RCP Pipe	38 LF @	\$442.89 =	\$16,830.00
		Grand Total	\$27,441.00

CONTRACT RECAP


Original Contract Amount	\$2,106,297.00
Previous Change Orders/Extras	\$0.00
Adjusted Contract Amount	\$2,106,297.00
Current Change Order	\$27,441.00
Revised Contract Amount	\$2,133,738.00

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Frattonone Companies, Inc.

Accepted By:

Accepted By:



Date



Date



400 Water Street, Suite 200
Excelsior, MN 55331
Phone: 952.294.0353

Invoice

DATE March 4, 2022
INVOICE MG001
DUE DATE Upon Receipt

Bill To:

Carver County
Attn: Tim Sundby
600 E 4th Street
Chaska, MN 55318

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Chaska Creek Settling Basin Work 2021 - Partial Invoice - See attached Frattalone Change Order	\$20,000.00
PAYMENT DUE	\$20,000.00

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