Business Item: 2026-60

Ratification of Declaration of Emergency Repair of Minneapolis Interceptor 1-MN-344

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Environment Committee: March 24, 2026

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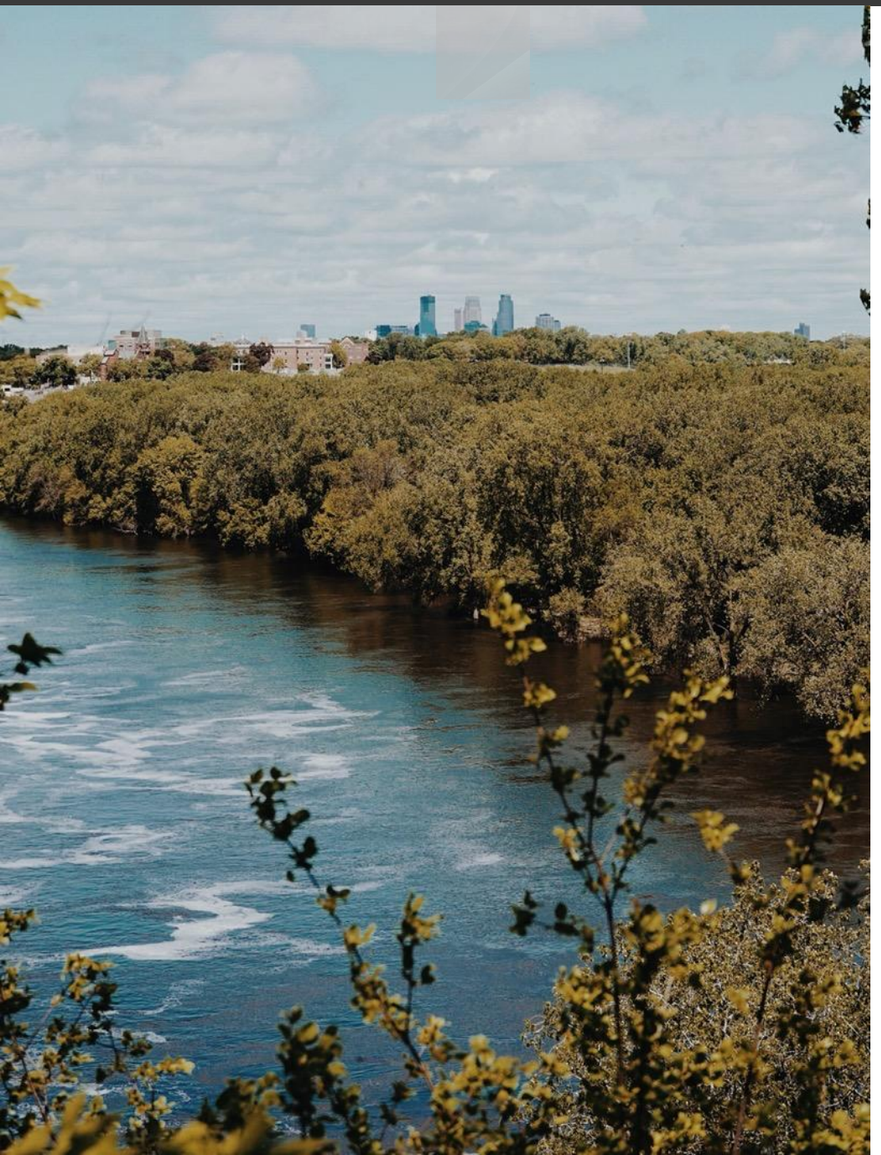
Emergency Declaration Process



- Infrastructure concern identified and investigated
- Determination made that carrying out the competitive bidding process prescribed by the Council's Procurement Policy would unacceptably delay the commencement of work to repair the facility
- Emergency Declaration document is prepared and signed by the General Manager, Environmental Services
- After review, the Emergency Declaration is authorized by the Regional Administrator, who has delegated authority pursuant to the Council's Procurement Policy.
- Contractor is selected and work begins under the direction of a Council Authorized Representative
- Emergency Declaration is ratified by Metropolitan Council, if the cost to correct the emergency exceeds $175,000

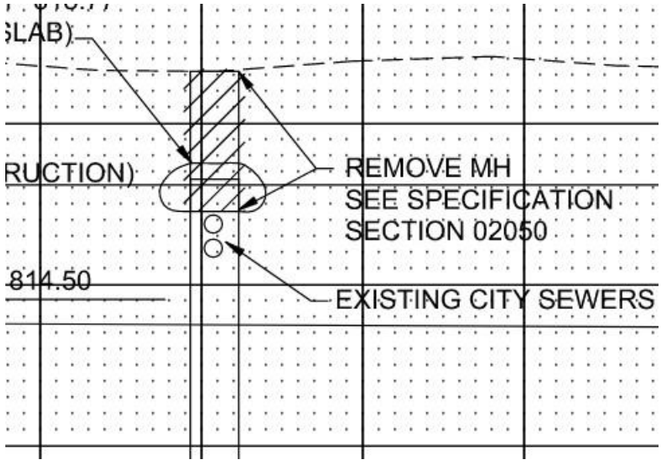
Emergency Summary and Location

Background

- On January 4, 2026, metering and alarm noted increased flow downstream of the impacted area
- Council discussed with cities of Minneapolis and Edina about any active discharges or water main breaks. None were noted
- Operations staff began field measuring wastewater temperatures to identify potential source of inflow
- Inflow was found on February 17, 2026 and confirmed via CCTV inspections.

Project Photos

Inspection photos of Interceptor 1-MN-344



Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council ratify the Emergency Declaration for repairs to Interceptor 1-MN-344 in Minneapolis in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000.

Questions

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