Saint Paul Regional Water Services January 14, 2014

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT

Pertaining to Agency Agreement No. 03012 with the State of Minnesota providing for reimbursement of State costs to remove and dispose of water main on T.H. 5 Bridge No. 9300 between Shepard Road and Fort Snelling.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Staff is seeking approval of an agreement that provides for reimbursement of MnDOT costs associated with the removal and disposal of abandoned water main and its asbestos insulation. The agreement was drafted by the State and reviewed and approved by staff and the assistant city attorney.

MnDOT intends to reconstruct T.H. 5 Bridge between Shepard Road and Fort Snelling, which will require the following water facility work:

- 1) removal and disposal of abandoned water main on the existing bridge, and
- 2) relocation of above-ground water main in Shepard Road at the northerly end of the bridge.

This Agreement No. 03012 addresses the removal and disposal of abandoned water main (work item number 1). The main was initially used to supply water to Fort Snelling and was abandoned when the City of Minneapolis began providing the Fort with water in the mid-1980s. MnDOT forces will remove and dispose of the water main and insulation prior to bridge reconstruction.

The Board is responsible for the costs of the removal because the main was installed on the MnDOT bridge. Costs are estimated by MnDOT to be \$119,070, but will be determined by the actual bid items in the awarded contract. The estimated amount is quite high due to the estimated cost of disposal, as shown in Agreement Exhibit B.

See attached location maps and Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval is recommended.