

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: October 27, 2008

For Metropolitan Council meeting: November 12, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	October 21, 2008
Subject:	Interdivisional Transfer of Vehicles
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Capital Program and Federal Transit Administration Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirements Service Agreements
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the interdivisional transfer of four (4) buses that are greater than 12 years old, are fully depreciated, and are set for disposal from Metro Transit assets to Metropolitan Transportation Services regional fleet assets.

Background

Plymouth Metrolink has five forty-foot regional buses in the fleet that are at the end of their useful life. Some are in need of repairs that are cost prohibitive. Because of these failures Plymouth is currently operating with an insufficient spare factor, resulting in service reliability issues. New buses have been approved and ordered to replace these vehicles, but will not be delivered until the fall of 2009.

Rationale

Metro Transit has a number of 12 year old forty-foot buses that were recently removed from service and replaced with new forty-foot Gilligs. MTS will accept transfer of four fully depreciated buses to assign to regional fleet and use as spares until their new buses arrive. MTS will manage disposal of these buses upon retirement.

Funding

These vehicles will be covered by Federal Transit Administration Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirements compliance service agreements with the regional providers for the use of Regional Fleet Vehicles. There are no funding implications related to this transfer other than the funds received by MTS due to the sale of these vehicles upon retirement in 2009.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.