Transportation Committee

Meeting date: November 24, 2008

Council meeting December 10, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	November 5, 2008
Subject:	Authorization to Execute Agreements with the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) for Transit and Rail Operations Funding
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	2009 Operating Budget
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Division/Department:	Transportation

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute agreements with the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) to receive operating funds for CY09 for the following projects:

- Hiawatha LRT \$7.5 M
- Northstar Commuter Rail \$3.79 M
- I-35W BRT \$62,500
- Cedar Ave. BRT \$22,500
- Metro council Operating Assistance \$30.783 M

Background

On September 24, 2008, the Council approved Business Item 2008-252 authorizing the Regional Administrator to submit the five operating grant applications to CTIB. On October 22, 2008, the Council approved Business Item 2008-285 recognizing that the CTIB grant submittals were consistent with the adopted 2030 Transportation Policy Plan. On October 29, 2008, CTIB approved the grant awards. This proposed action will allow contracts to be executed with CTIB to accept the grant awards.

Funding

The CTIB operating funding was included as part of the CY09 budget. Therefore, no budget amendments are necessary.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.