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Meeting date: March 8, 2010  
Management Committee: March 24, 2010  
Metropolitan Council: March 24, 2010

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

Date: February 25, 2010  
Subject: 2010 Unified Operating Budget Amendment  
District(s), Member(s): All  
Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes Section 473.13, sub. 1 – Council Budget Requirements  
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Division/Department: Transportation/Metropolitan Transportation Services

**Proposed Action**

That the Council amend the 2010 Unified Operating Budget in accordance with the attached table.

**Background**

This amendment carries forward previously budgeted federal revenue, required local match, and related expenses from the 2009 Unified Operating Budget to the 2010 Unified Operating Budget. The proposed changes are described below.

**Metropolitan Transportation Services**

**Increase/(Decrease) in Revenues: \$6,645,683; Expenditures: \$7,086,841; Reserves: (\$441,158)**

- In 2008 and 2009 a regional solicitation awarded JARC and New Freedom monies to a number of regional agencies. Many of these federal projects have activities that continue in 2010. This amendment carries forward the remaining awarded project balances and corresponding expense totaling \$1,957,202. These projects were previously approved by the Council with business items 2008-039 and 2009-057.
- This amendment carries forward \$419,222 in revenue and expense to provide the Ramsey County Regional Rail Authority with operating funds for the Forest Lake to St. Paul demonstration express bus service. This project was previously approved by the Council with business item 2009-326.
- This amendment carries forward \$3,999,233 in revenue and expense for the regional Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) into the 2010 Unified Operating Budget. This project was put out for competitive proposals and a consultant selected during 2009. Project work will begin in March.
- Remaining revenues and expense for two projects begun in 2009 as part of the federal Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) are being carried forward. The first is \$191,252 for the Metropolitan Highway System Investment Study (MHSIS) and the second is \$39,838 for the Travel Demand Management Strategic Plan (TDMSP). Both of these projects are 80% federally funded with the local match coming from MTS reserves. This use of reserves will not cause MTS to fall below its 10% target fund balance.
- Federal grant revenue and corresponding expense of \$185,000 for the Cycloplan project is being carried forward. This grant award and project was previously approved by the Council with business item 2009-179.

- At the end of 2009, Metro Mobility realized approximately \$1.4 million in fuel savings and this amount was added to Metro Mobility reserves at year end. This amendment proposes to use \$295,094 of this savings for two new Metro Mobility projects in 2010. The first project will purchase additional software licenses for contract transit providers and the second project will train new users on the Trapeze trip scheduling software system.

### **Rationale**

This amendment carries-forward unspent federal funds and the local match for previously approved projects and also adds expense for two Metro Mobility projects funded with 2009 savings.

### **Funding**

The \$7,086,841 in expenses will be funded with \$6,551,683 in federal dollars, \$94,000 in local revenue and a use of reserves of \$441,158. This usage of reserves will not cause either Metro Mobility or Planning and Transit Services to fall below their 10% target fund balance policy levels.

### **Known Support / Opposition**

No known opposition.

## Metropolitan Council - Transportation Division 2010 Annual Budget - Summary of Revisions Operating Budget Amendment - Business Item 2010-81

	2010 Adopted Budget	2010 Amended Budget	Metro Transit Bus	Metro Transit Rail	Metro Transit Northstar	Total Metro Transit	Metro Mobility	Suburban Transit Providers	Planning and Transit Services	Total Metropolitan Transport Services	2010 Revised Budget
<b>Revenues</b>											
<b>State Revenues</b>											
Motor Vehicle Sales Taxes	\$ 134,456,065	\$ 134,456,065	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134,456,065
State Revenues	71,708,898	71,708,898	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	71,708,898
<b>Total State Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 206,164,963</b>	<b>\$ 206,164,963</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 206,164,963</b>
<b>Other Revenues</b>											
Federal Revenues	34,013,610	34,013,610	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	6,551,683	6,551,683	40,565,293
Local Revenues	14,797,824	14,797,824	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,797,824
Investment Earnings	755,290	755,290	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	755,290
Other Revenues	4,540,139	4,540,139	-	-	-	-	-	-	94,000	94,000	4,634,139
Fares - Base	95,251,539	95,251,539	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,251,539
Contract & Special Event Revenue	5,473,236	5,473,236	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,473,236
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 360,996,601</b>	<b>\$ 360,996,601</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>6,645,683</b>	<b>\$ 6,645,683</b>	<b>\$ 367,642,284</b>
<b>Expenses</b>											
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 217,397,553	\$ 217,397,553	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 217,397,553
Consulting & Contractual Services	14,798,154	14,703,454	-	-	-	-	180,000	-	4,280,323	4,460,323	19,163,777
Materials & Supplies	18,577,998	18,577,998	-	-	-	-	115,094	-	-	115,094	18,693,092
Rent & Utilities	7,828,033	7,828,033	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,828,033
Printing	108,500	108,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108,500
Travel	38,500	38,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,500
Insurance	5,134,448	5,134,448	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,134,448
Transit Programs	73,079,597	73,079,597	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,079,597
Operating Capital	888,590	888,590	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	888,590
Grants - Governmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,041,424	2,041,424	2,041,424
Other Operating Expenses	30,851,635	30,851,635	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,851,635
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	470,000	470,000	470,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 368,703,008</b>	<b>\$ 368,608,308</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 295,094</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>6,791,747</b>	<b>\$ 7,086,841</b>	<b>\$ 375,695,149</b>
<b>Other Uses</b>											
Interdivisional Expense Alloc-MT & LRT	\$ 15,024,379	\$ 15,024,379	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,024,379
A-87- Metropolitan Transportation Services	1,492,680	1,492,680	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,492,680
Planning Chargeback Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Other Uses</b>	<b>\$ 16,517,059</b>	<b>\$ 16,517,059</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 16,517,059</b>
MVST Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers (To) / From Other Funds	6,564,018	6,469,318	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,469,318
<b>Total Expenses and Uses</b>	<b>\$ 378,656,049</b>	<b>\$ 378,656,049</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 295,094</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>6,791,747</b>	<b>\$ 7,086,841</b>	<b>\$ 385,742,890</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (17,659,448)</b>	<b>\$ (17,659,448)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (295,094)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>(146,064)</b>	<b>\$ (441,158)</b>	<b>\$ (18,100,606)</b>