

T Transportation Committee

Business Item

Item: 2010-127

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For Metropolitan Council meeting: April 28, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: April 5, 2010
Subject: Authorization to Purchase Replacement Small Buses
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: State of Minnesota Cooperative Vehicle Procurement
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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute purchase agreements with the following vendors for seven small buses in a total amount not to exceed \$508,100:

- 1) Hogle Bus Co. Inc. (442667) for four buses to not exceed \$266,000.
- 2) North Central Bus Sales (442670) for three buses to not exceed \$242,100.

Background

The vehicles purchased under these agreements will replace small buses currently in service that either meet or exceed their useful life as established by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). By utilizing the State contracts for procurement of these vehicles the Metropolitan Council is able to utilize an existing contract that complies with Council, state and federal procurement requirements.

Rationale

The buses requested in this action will replace existing fleet and will be assigned to Transit Link regional dial-a-ride services, the city of Shakopee and Maple Grove Transit.

Funding

Regional Transit Capital funds will be used to purchase these vehicles. This capital project was included in the 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Plan and amended into the Authorized Capital Plan under Council action item #2009-121 on May 13, 2009.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.