

T Transportation Committee
Meeting date: May 24, 2010
Council Meeting: June 9, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	May 19, 2010
Subject:	Authorization to Amend Contract 08P190 with Anoka County
District(s), Member(s):	2-Pistilli, 9-Steffen, 10-Sanda, 11-Hilker
Policy/Legal Reference:	Minnesota Statute 473.384, Financial Assistance to Transit Service
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651)602-1754 Gerri Sutton, Asst. Dir. Contracted Services (651)602-1672 John Harper, Sup. Contracted Transit Services (651)602-1744
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to amend contract number 08P190 with Anoka County to extend the term from June 30, 2010, to July 31, 2010.

Background

Anoka County provides dial-a-ride and some regular route transit service within or serving Anoka County. The service is delivered by a competitively procured private contractor with administrative oversight provided by Anoka County staff.

Since 1997, the Council has funded fixed route services administered by Anoka County through annual subsidy agreements. Contract number 08P190, for fixed route service, was approved by the Council in October 2008 and amended to extend the term to June 30, 2010 in October 2009. The extension was intended to align the Council's funding agreement with the expected termination date of the current operating agreement between Anoka County and First Transit. Additionally, the Council anticipated entering into a new subsidy agreement with Anoka County effective July 1, 2010 after new contract rates were established through Anoka County's competitive procurement process.

Rationale

Anoka County issued an RFP for dial-a-ride, ADA and fixed routes serving the Anoka County area on March 5, 2010. County staff encountered some difficulties during the procurement process resulting in delays and the need to extend the current contract with First Transit for one month. The Anoka County Board approved a new service contract with MV Transportation with a service start date of August 1, 2010. MTS staff is requesting the extension of contract 08P190 for one month in order to align with the county's transition to a new service contract.

Funding

Extension of the term by one month does not require additional contract value.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.