

# T Transportation Committee

**Business Item**  
**Item: 2010-367**

**Meeting date: October 25, 2010**

**Metropolitan Council Meeting: November 10, 2010**

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

<b>Date:</b>	October 18, 2010
<b>Subject:</b>	Procurement of Metro Mobility Vehicles
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	State of Minnesota Cooperative Vehicle Procurement Release B-347(5) and Regional Fleet Management Procedures
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<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) - Metro Mobility

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a purchase agreement with Hoglund Bus Company Inc. (State of MN Contract 442667) for up to thirty nine (39) buses in an amount not to exceed \$2,742,205.

### Background

All thirty-nine (39) of the vehicles in this request will replace vehicles scheduled for retirement. All of the vehicles will be gasoline-powered and delivered in the first quarter of 2011.

### Rationale

The purchase of thirty-nine buses is in alignment with the 2011 capital plan and will replace buses that are operated by the current Metro Mobility contractors. All of the vehicles scheduled to be replaced will have accumulated at least 250,000 miles at the time of replacement with many of them exceeding 300,000 miles. These mileage totals exceed Federal and Council replacement requirement thresholds. The Federal Transit Administration has established a minimum useful life of 150,000 miles or four years for vehicles of this type. The Regional Fleet Management Procedures call for small buses to be replaced after a minimum of 5 years or 200,000 miles.

Purchasing off the state contract is consistent with past fleet purchases and meets Council, state and federal procurement requirements.

### Funding

Funding for this purchase was included in the September 4, 2010 approval of Council action item 2010-261, titled "2010 Unified Capital Program Amendment". This purchase will utilize federal funds.

### Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.