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Meeting date: November 8, 2010, 2010

Council meeting: December 8, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	November 3, 2010
Subject:	Authorization to Amend Contract for Cedar Avenue BRT Service
District(s), Member(s):	4– Craig Peterson, 15 – Dan Wolter, 16 – Wendy Wulff
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services over $250,000
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Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to execute a contract amendment in the amount of $400,000 with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for additional service and facility maintenance costs for a new total contract amount not to exceed $1,050,000.

Background

The existing contract is for the period of September 2009 through the end of 2011. New Cedar Avenue BRT express bus service began from Lakeville and Apple Valley in September 2009. In September 2010, new express service began from the Cedar Grove park-and-ride. This amendment allows for funding the operations and maintenance cost of the Apple Valley Transit Station which was not included in the original scope of work and reflects refinements to the express service plan. CTIB is funding 50% of the Cedar Avenue BRT express service and facility O&M costs.

Rationale

On October 29, 2010, CTIB approved an amendment to its 2010 operating agreement with the Council for a revised scope of work reflecting facility O&M costs, updated fare revenue estimates and service plan refinements. CTIB is scheduled to approve a 2011 operating grant agreement for the Cedar Avenue BRT service and facility O&M at its November meeting.

Funding

Funding for this service is budgeted in the annual operating budget.

Known Support/Opposition

No known opposition.