# Transportation Committee

#### Meeting date: August 13, 2012

#### Metropolitan Council Meeting: August 22, 2012

**ADVISORY INFORMATION** 

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-Date:	August 3, 2011
Subject:	Authorization to Purchase 45 Option Forty-foot Diesel
	Gillig Buses
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Procurement Policy
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#### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with Gillig Corporation to purchase 45 forty-foot, diesel low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$19,416,105.

## Background

This procurement will replace forty-foot diesel buses that will achieve 12 years of age in 2013 that are scheduled for retirement.

To procure these buses, the Council will utilize a contract that was awarded to Gillig Corporation in October 2007 for 314 base order forty-foot, low-floor transit buses. The contract includes an option for the Council to purchase up to 300 additional buses.

## Rationale

This investment reflects the Council's commitment to maintain and preserve regional transit investments and is in alignment with the objectives of the unified capital programming process.

## Funding

Funding for these replacement forty-foot buses is contingent on approval by the Metropolitan Council of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Capital Amendment contained in Business Item No. 2012-224 "2012 Unified Capital Program Amendment" in Project 61611.

## **Known Support/Opposition**

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.