

# Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 9, 2008

## **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Date Prepared:** 3-25-2008

**Subject:** Authorization to enter into a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the purchase of six replacement buses

### **Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the purchase of six replacement buses in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.

### **Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Committee Member Scherer inquired about the difference in cost of buses from Item 2008-86 and 2008-85.

Arlene McCarthy answered that different buses, at different prices, were being purchased.

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Hearing no objection, M. Hill Smith stated that this item could go to the full Council as a Consent Item.

# Transportation Committee

**Business Item**

Item: 2008-85

**Meeting date: March 24 , 2008**

**Council meeting April 9, 2008**

## **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

<b>Date:</b>	March 17, 2008
<b>Subject:</b>	Authorization to enter into a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the purchase of six replacement buses
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Transportation Policy Plan, 2007 Capital Improvement Plan
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651-602-1754) Gerri Sutton, Asst Director – Contracted Transit Services (651-602-1672) Chris Gran, Director of Purchasing – Metro Transit (612-349-5060) Alex Curtiss, MTS Fleet Manager (651-602-1487)
<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the purchase of six replacement buses in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.

### **Background**

### **Rationale**

MVTA will replace six Bluebird buses which have reached the end of their useful life per Federal Transit Administration regulations. 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**

The purchase of these replacement vehicles is an authorized project in the 2008 Capital Improvement Plan. These replacement vehicles are funded with Regional Transit Capital.

### **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition.