Management Committee For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 14, 2009

Item: 2009-334

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:

Prepared: Phil Walljasper and Dave Larrabee

Subject: Settlement approval related to bus liability claim.

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan council approves the proposed settlement of a liability claim arising out of Metro Transit's bus operations and authorize its Regional Administrator to execute all necessary settlement documents.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

This case was presented to the Management Committee by our defense council and Risk Management staff. The presentation included liability facts and injuries sustained by the pedestrian.

After a brief discussion and questions the Management Committee consented to the settlement of this claim.

Management Committee

Meeting date: September 23, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: September 15, 2009

Subject: Settlement approval related to bus liability claim

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference:

Staff Prepared/Presented: Phil Walljasper, 651-602-1787

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Division/Department: Risk Management

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approves the proposed settlement of a liability claim arising out of Metro Transit's bus operations and authorize its Regional Administrator to execute all necessary settlement documents.

Background

On 2/25/09, a Metro Transit bus was involved in a pedestrian accident, which resulted in a subsequent claim against the Metropolitan Council. After investigation and negotiation, a proposed settlement has been reached, pending Council approval. The amount of the proposed settlement exceeds the current authority of the Litigation Review Committee, which is why this is now presented to the Management Committee.

Rationale

Damages related to this case warrant the recommended settlement.

Funding

Bus liability claims are funded with Metro Transit's operating funds

Known Support / Opposition

None