

T Transportation Committee
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 14,
2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: March 5, 2012

Subject: Authorization to Award Contract for Work Uniform Rental Program

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a contract with G&K Services for Metro Transit work uniform rental in an amount not to exceed \$675,000.00 over a five year period.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Director Contracts & Procurement Micky Gutzmann presented this item. This contract covers the following groups: Bus Maintenance, Facilities & Engineering, LRV Vehicle Maintenance, Finance Revenue and Commuter Rail departments.

Motion by Schreiber, seconded by Munt and passed with Reynoso abstaining from the vote.

Hearing no objection, Chair Elkins said that this item could proceed to the full Council as a consent item.

After the motion was heard and approved, Gutzmann offered a "fun fact" in that the new contract will be approximately \$250,000 less than the last contract. Staff speculated that this is due to competitive marketing and some technology improvements by the vendor.

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Meeting date: February 27, 2012

Metropolitan Council Meeting: March 14, 2014

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Date: February 20, 2012
Subject: Authorization to Award Contract for Work Uniform Rental Program
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: Council Procurement Policy
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Division/Department: Various Metro Transit Departments

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a contract with G&K Services for Metro Transit work uniform rental in an amount not to exceed \$675,000.00 over a five year period.

Background

Approximately 625 Metro Transit employees are required to wear work uniforms. The uniform supply contract provides for uniform rental, laundering and maintenance services. Metro Transit solicited sealed bids for a new work uniform contract. Two bids were received, and G&K Services submitted the lowest responsive, responsible bid. Expenditures are projected to be \$135,000 annually and \$675,000 over the five-year term, which takes into consideration an increase of mechanical staff for the Central Corridor (Green Line) light rail transit expansion.

This scope encompasses the Bus Maintenance, Facilities & Engineering, LRV Vehicle Maintenance, Finance Revenue and Commuter Rail departments. Police, drivers, etc, are covered under other contracts.

Rationale

This contract provides uniforms per the ATU and TMSA collective bargaining agreements.

Funding

Funding will be available in the operating budgets from the various departments using this service.

Known Support/Opposition

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.