Item: 2007-23

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 8, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: December 29, 2006

Subject: Authorization to Award Contract for Work Uniform Rental Program

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures

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Division/Department: Various Metro Transit Departments

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a contract with ARAMARK Uniform Services for Metro Transit work uniform rental as specified and at the bid prices for a five-year period.

Issue

Metro Transit requires a new uniform contract to replace the current contract, which expires March 1, 2007.

Overview and Funding

Approximately 600 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. Three bids were received. ARAMARK Uniform Services submitted the low bid. Expenditures are projected to be \$120,000 annually and \$600,000 over the five-year term. These new bid prices are approximately 20 percent less than the current contract rates.

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