Executive Summary

Transportation Committee

Item: 2007-24

Meeting date: January 8, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: 1/2/2007

Subject: Authorization to Execute Contracts to Implement Capital Program

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 2007-2012 CIP

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Metropolitan Transportation Services **Division/Department:**

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Regional Administrator be authorized to execute contracts for up to \$100,000 for MVTA bus technology and up to \$229,751 for the Northstar Commuter Coach lease.

Issue(s)

None

Overview and Funding

The Council approves funding for capital spending and must give contract authority separate from funding approval. This action provides the legal authority to execute contracts for previously approved capital projects in the 2007 CIP.

- The 2007-2012 CIP added \$100,000 for a new project that will allow for a GPS-driver, lane-assist demonstration project on Cedar Avenue. The funding for this project will be state bonding money, which will match Federal funding. This is a joint project with the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of Minnesota.
- The 2007-2012 CIP added \$33,333 of 2006 NTD funding for the Northstar Commuter Coach lease project. This request will allow an amendment to the existing contract to add this funding.