

T Transportation Committee

For Metropolitan Council Meeting of May 9, 2007
Management Committee: April 25, 2007

Meeting date: April 23, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	April 16, 2007
Subject:	May 2007 Unified Operating Budget Amendment
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	MN Statutes section 473.13, sub. 1 -- Council Budget Requirements
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Paul Conery (602-1374), Manager, Budget & Evaluation Edwin Petrie (349-7624), Director Finance Metro Transit
Division/Department:	All

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council:

- Amend the 2007 Unified Operating Budget in accordance with the attached table.

Overview and Funding

The proposed operating amendment is brought to the Transportation Committee for review and endorsement before presentation to the Management Committee on April 25 and the Council on May 9, 2007.

This Amendment:

- Incorporates the changes to the operating budget of Metro Transit for the costs of a Siemens maintenance agreement by reallocating the budget for other miscellaneous costs.
- Adds revenue for the second year of participation of Metro Transit police in the Metropolitan Gang Strike Force.
- Amends the full-time equivalent (FTE) positions funded in the Metro Transit budget due to the addition of staff support for the Central Corridor light rail line. Revenues to pay for the staff additions is supported with the capital funding provided for the project.

Fiscal Analysis

Metro Transit

Bus Operations

Changes: Revenues/Sources: +\$357,267; Expenditures/Uses: +\$357,267; Reserves: \$0; FTEs +6.0

- Add six (6) new 2007 full-time positions to the Metro Transit budget for the administration of the Central Corridor Light Rail project at a cost of \$317,267 for the remainder of the fiscal year. The cost of the staff will be supported with the capital funding provided for the project.

- Increase contractual service and reduce other miscellaneous expenses in the amount of \$280,000 to provide an equipment and software maintenance agreement package in support of the Siemens Transitmaster system.
- Add Minnesota Department of Public Safety grant revenue and the related expense of \$40,000 for support of part of a full-time police officer assigned to the Metro Gang Strike force. The position FTE was previously budgeted.
- Staff complement in FTEs is adjusted for the Central Corridor project position additions; the total FTE complement for bus and rail operations increases from 2,586.70 to 2,592.70 full-time equivalent positions.

Financial Summary

The proposed operating budget amendment makes the following changes to the Amended 2007 Unified Operating Budget:

	Adopted Budget	Previous Amendments		Proposed Budget
Revenues				
Operating	\$ 321,432,511	\$ 2,134,967	\$ 357,267	\$ 323,924,745
Pass Through	3,256,033	-	-	3,256,033
Debt Service	36,951,721	-	-	36,951,721
Total Revenues	\$ 361,640,265	\$ 2,134,967	\$ 357,267	\$ 364,132,499
Expenditures				
Operating	\$ 324,612,878	\$ 2,134,967	\$ 357,267	\$ 327,105,112
Pass Through	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	43,392,581	-	-	43,392,581
Total Revenues	\$ 368,005,459	\$ 2,134,967	\$ 357,267	\$ 370,497,693
Surplus / Deficit)	\$ (6,365,194)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (6,365,194)