Executive Summary

Transportation Committee

Item: 2007-278 CONSENT

Meeting date: August 27, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: 8/13/2007

Subject: Authorization to Execute Contracts for SouthWest Transit garage

expansion and the Northstar Corridor Development Authority coach

lease

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 2007-2012 CIP, Action Item 2007-206

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Proposed Action/Motion

That the Regional Administrator be authorized to execute contracts for up to \$1,929,876 for a SouthWest Transit garage expansion and up to \$295,732 for the Northstar Commuter Coach bus 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 2007-2012 CIP.

- The August Amendment to the 2007-2012 CIP, Item 2007-206, reallocated \$130,000 to an existing garage expansion project by Southwest Transit. The project had some unforeseen cost overruns that this additional money will cover. Additional funding for this project comes from a canceled project previously allocated to Southwest Transit.
- The August Amendment to the 2007-2012 CIP, Item 2007-206, reallocated \$65,981 to the Northstar Commuter Coach bus lease project. The reallocated funds represent the equal portion of Federal funds earned for the service operated by the Northstar Corridor Development Authority and are needed to maintain bus service in the corridor.