

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: September 10, 2007

Management Committee: September 12, 2007

Metropolitan Council: September 26, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	September 4, 2007
Subject:	Interdivisional Transfer of Vehicles
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Capital Program and Federal Transit Administration Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirements Service Agreements
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit and Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action/Motion:

That the Metropolitan Council approve the interdivisional transfer of three (3) buses from Metro Transit assets to Metropolitan Transportation Services regional fleet assets.

Issue(s):

- Council approval is requested to transfer three (3) 40-foot buses owned by the Metropolitan Council from Metro Transit to Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) to utilize them in appropriate regional service.

Overview and Funding:

This proposed interdivisional transfer of three buses from Metro Transit Assets to Metropolitan Transportation Services regional fleet assets is primarily due to the Metropolitan Council not receiving additional regional bonding authority from the 2007 State Legislature. There is an immediate need to replace three aging buses in the MTS regional fleet with no immediate availability of regional bonding authority. As an interim measure to meet regional fleet needs, the Metro Transit General Manager and Director of Metropolitan Transportation Services agreed to the transfer of three buses from Metro Transit to Metropolitan Transportation Services. A transfer of these vehicles to MTS significantly reduces immediate capital expenditures to buy new replacement vehicles. These vehicles will be covered by Federal Transit Administration Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirements compliance service agreements with the regional providers for the use of Regional Fleet Vehicles.

The three buses will replace 1985 vehicles currently operated by Lorenz, Inc. on routes serving the north Metro and downtown St. Paul.