

# T Transportation Committee

**Business Item**

Item: 2009-179

**Meeting date: June 22, 2009**

**Management Committee: June 24, 2009**

**Metropolitan Council: July 8, 2009**

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

<b>Date:</b>	June 10, 2009
<b>Subject:</b>	2009 Unified Operating Budget Amendment
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	MN Statutes Section 473.13, sub. 1 – Council Budget Requirements
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Arlene McCarthy, MTS Director (651-602-1217) Amy Vennewitz, Deputy Director, Finance and Planning (651-602-1058) Sean Pfeiffer, Financial Analyst, MTS (651-602-1887)
<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

### Proposed Action

That the Council amend the 2009 Unified Operating Budget in accordance with the Operating Budget Amendment (2009) – Attachment 1.

### Background

This amendment recognizes additional federal revenue and related expenses in the Transportation Division 2009 Operating Budget. The federal funds will be used for the following activities.

#### Metropolitan Transportation Services

**Increase/(Decrease) in Revenues: \$4,594,608; Expenditures: \$4,594,608; Reserves: \$0**

- The Council was awarded \$3.5 million in ARRA funding that is being brought in with this amendment for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI). The ARRA funding is being equally provided from Mn/DOT (\$1,750,000) and the TAB (\$1,750,000). This funding has been approved and amended into the TIP. The TBI study is expected to cost approximately \$4.1 million. The TBI is a major survey of regional travel patterns that takes place every 10 years on conjunction with the census and provides important data for updating and collaborating the regional travel demand model.
- The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is the region's primary source of funds for federal transportation planning and coordination of planning activities among the various agencies involved in the transportation planning process. This amendment brings in an additional \$909,608 of UPWP funds that MnDOT has notified us will be available for 2009 planning activities. These funds are being brought into the consulting and contractual services line item to pay for major regional planning studies identified in the *2030 Transportation Policy Plan* including the TBI, the Metropolitan Highway System Investment Strategy (MHSIS) and study of Arterial BRT.
- The region was recently awarded a grant of \$185,000 from the Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Program, (which is a federal FHWA program administered by Transit for Livable Communities) to fund a project known as Cycloplan. Cycloplan will be an extension of an existing program known as Cyclopath, developed by GroupLens Research at the University of Minnesota, which allows users to create, edit, and rate their own bike routes on a regional basemap. Cycloplan will be developed for use by municipal and county planning, public works, and parks departments to (a) establish and enhance

their bikeways data, (b) have access to regional data and public user data for use in planning for the development of a regional bikeway system, and (c) to respond to identified issues within their jurisdiction. The funding will be used to pay staff and purchase hardware at the University of Minnesota to fulfill the objectives of this project, while MTS and GIS will use existing resources to administer the project. MTS as the regional transportation planning entity is in charge of developing and maintaining bikeways information for the 7-county metropolitan area and this project holds promise of vastly improving this information.

### **Rationale**

Bring in additional federal revenue to cover the costs associated with planning activities including UPWP planning studies, the TBI study and a grant for the Cycloplan project.

### **Funding**

All funds being brought in with this amendment are federal and do not require additional local match.

### **Known Support/Opposition**

No known opposition.

**Metropolitan Council - Transportation Division**  
**2009 Annual Budget - Summary of Revisions**  
**Operating Budget Amendment - Business Item 2009-179**

	2009 Adopted Budget	2009 Amended Budget	Metro Transit Bus	Metro Transit Rail	Metro Transit Northstar	Total Metro Transit	Metro Mobility	Suburban Transit Providers	Planning and Transit Services	Total Metropolitan Transport Services	2009 Revised Budget
<b>Revenues</b>											
<b>State Revenues</b>											
Motor Vehicle Sales Taxes	\$ 110,966,976	\$ 110,966,976	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,966,976
State Revenues	84,581,487	84,581,487	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,581,487
<b>Total State Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 195,548,463</b>	<b>\$ 195,548,463</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 195,548,463</b>
<b>Other Revenues</b>											
Federal Revenues	32,319,763	34,064,282	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	4,594,608	4,594,608	38,658,890
Local Revenues	43,660,458	43,660,458	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,660,458
Investment Earnings	215,000	215,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	215,000
Other Revenues	1,562,263	1,562,263	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,562,263
Fares - Base	93,593,096	93,593,096	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	93,593,096
Contract & Special Event Revenue	8,489,476	8,489,476	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,489,476
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 375,388,519</b>	<b>\$ 377,133,038</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 381,727,646</b>
<b>Expenses</b>											
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 213,989,573	\$ 214,242,482	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 214,242,482
Consulting & Contractual Services	9,556,520	9,755,360	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,409,608	4,409,608	14,164,968
Materials & Supplies	20,082,463	20,207,463	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,207,463
Rent & Utilities	8,032,007	8,032,007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,032,007
Printing	145,000	145,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	145,000
Travel	38,500	38,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,500
Insurance	5,715,150	5,715,150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,715,150
Transit Programs	74,611,396	75,804,166	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,804,166
Operating Capital	867,319	867,319	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	867,319
Grants - Governmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	185,000	185,000	185,000
Other Operating Expenses	33,176,078	33,176,078	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,176,078
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 366,214,006</b>	<b>\$ 367,983,525</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 372,578,133</b>
<b>Other Uses</b>											
Interdivisional Expense Alloc-MT & LRT	\$ 15,394,835	\$ 15,394,835	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,394,835
A-87- Metropolitan Transportation Services	825,000	825,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	825,000
Planning Chargeback Expense	208,343	208,343	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208,343
<b>Total Other Uses</b>	<b>\$ 16,428,178</b>	<b>\$ 16,428,178</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 16,428,178</b>
MVST Transfers In	7,232,515	7,232,515	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,232,515
Transfers To (From) Other Funds	21,150	21,150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,150
<b>Total Expenses and Uses</b>	<b>\$ 375,388,519</b>	<b>\$ 377,158,038</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 4,594,608</b>	<b>\$ 381,752,646</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (25,000)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (25,000)</b>