

T Transportation Committee

Business Item
Item: 2011-165
Consent

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Council Meeting: June 22, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

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Subject: Authorization to Amend a Grant Agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 2011 Authorized Capital Program

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metro Transit – Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to amend Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) grant agreement (SG-2010-118) with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) in the amount of \$400,000 for a revised total of \$600,000.

Background

The grant agreement is for the procurement of components to implement an AVL system for MVTA, including automated passenger counters, voice annunciation, and fare box integration. Per MVTA, the system will be compatible with the regional system.

Rationale

These types of grants allow regional transit providers and transit capital sponsor agencies to fund transit capital projects using regional transit capital (RTC) funds distributed by the Metropolitan Council.

Funding

MVTA is using \$400,000 of its federal formula National Transit Database (NTD) earnings. The Council is providing the RTC in lieu of federal funds.

Known Support / Opposition

These additional funds were requested by MVTA.