

T Transportation Committee
 Meeting date: January 9, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	January 6, 2012
Subject:	Reallocation of \$20 million 2011 Transit Capital Improvement State G.O. Bonds
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	2011 Capital Investment Bonding Bill
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, MTS Director (651-602-1754) Amy Vennewitz, MTS Deputy Director (651-602-1058) Steven Elmer, MTS Planning Analyst (651-602-1756)
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

For information only.

The \$20 million in 2011 Transit Capital Improvement Program state G.O. bonds has been reallocated as follows:

\$11.0 M	Minneapolis Interchange
\$4.0 M	Northstar Ramsey Station
\$0.5 M \$1.75M	Newport Park-and-Ride
\$1.0 M	Cedar Avenue BRT
\$1.25 M	Gateway (I-94 East) Corridor
\$0.25 M	Robert Street Corridor
<u>\$2.0 M</u>	Rush Line Corridor Maplewood Mall Park-and-Ride Expansion
\$20.0M	

Background

The 2011 Capital Investment Bonding Bill appropriated \$20 million in state G.O. bonds to a Transit Capital Improvement Program to the Metropolitan Council. The Council is responsible for allocating these transit capital funds to projects. The funds are designated to the list of projects (above) and are to be used for environmental studies, preliminary engineering, property acquisition, design, and construction.

Rationale

At its August 24, 2011 meeting, the Council passed the Action to “Approve, if requested by Washington County, the reallocation of \$1.25 M in Gateway Corridor funds to the Newport park-and-ride, conditional upon the county concurrently allocating \$1.25 M in its CTIB funding to the Gateway Corridor.”

In a letter dated December 30, 2011 the Washington County Board requested the reallocation of the \$1.25M originally designated for Gateway Corridor to the Newport Park-and-Ride project in the Red Rock Corridor.

Washington County will be notified by letter of this reallocation.

Funding

The funds are appropriated by the State of Minnesota.

Known Support / Opposition

Washington County has requested this reallocation of state bonds. This was formally supported by CTIB through a grant agreement with the county allocating \$2.125 M in CTIB funds to Gateway Corridor and approved on December 14, 2011.