

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 14, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: April 29, 2008

Subject: Authorization to Purchase Large Cut-Away Buses for Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Service

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with Hoglund Bus Co. for three large cut-away buses in an amount not to exceed \$313,000.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

A question was asked about service to Landfall, and was answered by John Levin from Metro Transit.

Motion by Hilker, seconded by Beach and passed.

Hearing no objection, Vice Chair Meeks stated that this item could go to the full Council as a consent item.

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Meeting date: April 28, 2008

For Metropolitan Council meeting: May 14, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	April 18, 2008
Subject:	Authorization to Purchase Large Cut-Away Buses for Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Service
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Transportation Policy Plan, 2008-2013 Capital Improvement Program
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651)602-1754 Gerri Sutton, Asst. Director Contracted Transit Services (651) 602-1672 Alex Curtiss, Fleet Manager MTS (651) 602-1487
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with Hoglund Bus Co. for three large cut-away buses in an amount not to exceed \$313,000.

Overview and Funding

These vehicles will be purchased off of the Minnesota Department of Administration contract.

Rationale

The Council applied for, and received, Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) funding to increase service levels on Route 219, which is operated by First Transit, Inc. The route operates between Sunray Center in St. Paul and Maplewood Mall, serving St. Paul, Landfall, Oakdale, Maplewood, Mahtomedi, and White Bear Lake. These vehicles will be used to support the additional service on this route.

Funding

The purchase of these replacement vehicles is in the 2008 Authorized Capital Program using Regional Transit Capital funds.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition.