

# T Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 11, 2009

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

**Date Prepared:** January 27, 2009

**Subject:** Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the Construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station

### Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to:

1. Execute an agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority to provide \$6,950,000 in Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) and \$1,255,000 in Dakota County Regional Rail Authority (DCRRA) funds for the construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station.
2. Execute an agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority to provide \$742,500 in federal discretionary funds and \$185,625 in Cedar Avenue BRT Corridor G.O. Bonds for the construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station.

### Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS, presented this item to the committee and answered questions regarding funding (Federal/State/UPA/CTIB). McCarthy explained that this item includes two separate agreements, but moving concurrently through the approval process.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Leppik and passed unanimously.

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**Business Item**

Item: 2009-45

**Meeting date: January 26, 2009**

Metropolitan Council: February 11, 2009

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<b>Date:</b>	January 23, 2009
<b>Subject:</b>	Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for the Construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	5, Polly Bowles; 15, Daniel Wolter; 16, Vacant
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	2009 Capital Program and Business Item 2008-325
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651-602-1754) Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Director Finance & Planning (651-602-1058) Cole Hiniker, Planner (651-602-1748)
<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

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## Background

On October 29, 2008, CTIB approved a grant award for the construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station. The grant application included \$6,925,000 in funding from CTIB with an additional \$1,255,000 from DCRRA as part of the CTIB-required match.

The federal funds were designated by FTA in 2006 and were applied for in 2008. These funds have been directed toward the construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station.

## Rationale

These agreements are necessary to pass through the necessary funding for the construction of the Apple Valley Transit Station and to meet the December 31, 2009, UPA construction timeline. Construction bids will be opened on February 2 with contract award expected to follow by mid-February.

## Funding

The Apple Valley Transit Station is an estimated \$13 million project that will be funded with \$1 million of federal discretionary funds and local match, \$8 million of CTIB and DCRRA funds, and at least \$4 million of UPA federal funds and local match.

## Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.