

T Transportation Committee
Meeting date: April 25, 2011
Metropolitan Council Meeting: May 11, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: April 12, 2011
Subject: Authorization to Purchase 26 Option Forty-foot Gillig Buses
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: Council Procurement Policy
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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with Gillig Corporation to purchase 26 forty-foot, low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,838,836.

Background

The Council awarded a contract to Gillig Corporation in October 2007 for 314 base order forty-foot, low-floor transit buses. The contract includes an option for the Council to purchase up to 150 additional buses. This procurement will replace 26 forty-foot diesel buses that will achieve 12 years of age in 2012 that are scheduled for retirement.

Rationale

This investment reflects the Council's commitment to maintain and preserve regional transit investments and is in alignment with the objectives of the unified capital programming process.

Funding

Funding for these replacement forty-foot buses is included in Council Business Item 2011-065 "2011 Unified Capital Program Amendment" in Project 61611 going to the Metropolitan Council on April 27, 2011.

Known Support/Opposition

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.