

# T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2012

Metropolitan Council Meeting: May 23, 2012

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

**-Date:** May 3, 2011  
**Subject:** Authorization to Purchase 30 Option Forty-foot Diesel Gillig Buses  
**District(s), Member(s):** All  
**Policy/Legal Reference:** Council Procurement Policy  
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**Division/Department:** Metro Transit Bus Maintenance

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with Gillig Corporation to purchase 30 forty-foot, diesel low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$12,944,070.

### Background

This procurement will replace forty-foot diesel buses that will achieve 12 years of age in 2013 that are scheduled for retirement.

To procure these buses, the Council will utilize a contract that was awarded 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 300 additional buses.

### 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 was approved by the Metropolitan Council in Business Item 2012-108 "2012 Unified Capital Budget Amendment" in Project 61611.

### Known Support/Opposition

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.