

# T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: October 22, 2012

Metropolitan Council meeting: November 14,  
2012

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

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| Date:                     | October 18, 2012  |
| Subject:                  | Authorization to Execute a Capital Grant Agreement with SouthWest Transit   |
| District(s), Member(s):   | District 3 – Munt, District 4 - Van Eyll  |
| Policy/Legal Reference:   | 2012 Unified Capital Program  |
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| Division/Department:      | Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)   |

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute an agreement with SouthWest Transit (SWT) for \$1,600,000 to provide funding for design, construction management and construction costs of the Chanhassen and East Creek Transit Stations.

### Background

Approximately \$1.3M of the agreement will be used to reimburse SWT for design, professional fees and construction costs related to the Chanhassen Transit. The Chanhassen Transit Station began revenue operations in December 2011. The remaining \$300,000 of this agreement will be used for design, professional fees and construction costs related to the East Creek Transit Station. The station is anticipated to begin revenue operations in late-2013.

### Rationale

The SWT agreement is necessary to provide the local match for the CMAQ award for the East Creek park-and-ride expansion.

### Funding

The projects will be partially funded with \$1,600,000 of Regional Transit Capital (RTC) bond funds in lieu of SWT's NTD earnings. SWT agrees that this request represents a designation of its future NTD earnings. Final approval of this business item is contingent upon the approval of the fourth quarter capital amendment to the 2012 Unified Capital Program on November 14, 2012 (Business Item 2012-291).

### Known Support / Opposition

SWT supports this business item and requested action.