

Transportation Committee

Meeting Date: June 8, 2015

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of: June 24, 2015

Subject: Authorization to Enter Into Interagency Agreement with Anoka County

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Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3A Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods and Services

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Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Anoka County to administer transit service in Anoka County and northwest Ramsey County from August 31, 2015 through July 31, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$10,236,003.

Background

Transit Link is the Council's general public dial-a-ride program that provides service in portions of the seven county metro area where regular route transit service is not available. The Council provides Transit Link services by procuring multi-year operating agreements directly with private vendors or allowing counties to administer the service in their respective areas. All Transit Link contractors are required to maintain full compliance with Council established program policies and all applicable state and federal laws and regulations. Anoka County also administers the delivery of regular routes 801, 805 and 831 in Anoka County under contract to the Council. Anoka County uses a subcontractor to operate both Transit Link and regular route service.

Rationale

Anoka County Office of Transit, in coordination with the Council, competitively procured a multi-year contract for operations of regular route services within Anoka County and Transit Link service in Anoka County and northwest Ramsey County. Anoka County will enter into an agreement with the service provider and will manage that agreement and will oversee all day-to-day operations of the service.

Funding for Transit Link and regular route operations will be provided by the Council. Anoka County will fund administrative expenses related to oversight of the service contracts.

Funding

Funding for this service is included in the annual operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

Anoka County supports the proposed action.