# Transportation Committee

Meeting date: December 11, 2017

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 13, 2017

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**Subject**: Grant agreements with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority

**District(s), Member(s):** 4 – Deb Barber, 15 – Steven Chavez, 16 – Wendy Wulff

**Policy/Legal Reference:** MN Statutes Section 473.13, Subd. 1, 2017 Unified Budget 2017-195

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**Division/Department: Transportation/Metropolitan Transportation Services**

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## Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter the Council into an agreement with the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) for $866,500 for payment of principal and interest for the Eagan Bus Garage Expansion and $1.7M to implement a new CAD/AVL system.

## Background

MVTA has been using its NTD earnings to pay for debt owed on the Eagan Bus Garage expansion since 2013. The proposed $866,500 agreement will pay for principal and interest.

MVTA is in the process of implementing a new CAD/AVL system with Avail Technologies. The proposed $1.7M agreement will pay for a variety of implementation activities. MVTA has chosen not to participate in the regional CAD/AVL system.  This decision will impact the Council by requiring additional integration of systems between Metro Transit and MVTA. The Council and MVTA have an agreement in place to manage integration related issues.

## Rationale

The requested action will allow MVTA to move forward with projects using its federal formula National Transit Database (NTD) earnings.

## Thrive Lens Analysis

MVTA has determined these projects are a strategic investment that promote stewardship by improving the efficiency of their system.

## Funding

MVTA has available undesignated funds in the Council's Authorized Capital Program.

## Known Support / Opposition

This action is supported by MVTA. There is no known opposition.