

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 23, 2017

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 8, 2017

Subject: Bus Battery Procurement

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 execute Contract No. 16P291 with CMD Properties DBA Batteries Plus, for the procurement of bus battery purchases and used battery disposal for a three-year term with an option of a fourth year in the amount of \$1,147,409.48.

Background

Metro Transit requires a new contract for the replacement and disposal of bus starting batteries to replace the existing expiring contract. Metro Transit's bus fleet is equipped with starting batteries that require ongoing replacement and disposal. An IFB was issued on December 6, 2016 and four bids were received. The lowest responsible, responsive bid submitted by CMD Properties DBA Batteries Plus represents the best value to the Council.

Rationale

This contract ensures stability in purchasing and disposal prices for bus starting batteries.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This procurement, through CMD Properties DBA Batteries Plus, will contribute to the reliability of vehicle starting and electrical systems on bus equipment which provided 58.9 million rides in 2016. This procurement supports the Thrive Lens outcomes of Equity and Livability by providing safe, reliable and affordable mass transportation to our riders.

Funding

Funding for this procurement contract is contained in the Bus Maintenance operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.