

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 13, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 22, 2020

Subject: Light Rail Live Video, Contract 19P306

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Expenditure Policy 3-3, Procurement of Goods and Services

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole source contract with Hitachi Vantara Corporation for the purchase and installation of a new camera surveillance system for 91 Light Rail Vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000.

Background

Currently when an incident occurs on a Light Rail Vehicle, the Rail Control Center, Transit Control Center, MTPD, and its partners have no way of seeing in real-time what is occurring.

This camera network will be installed on all 91 of our current Light Rail vehicles. It will replace the hard drive systems on 86 of those vehicles which currently have obsolete Verint hardware on them. The remaining 5 vehicles currently have an Apollo hard drive with which a real-time video system will integrate.

Rationale

This real-time system accomplishes two goals: increasing customer satisfaction and increased safety and security for both riders and employees. Both the Rail Control Center and the Transit Control Center would be able to view live video in order to evaluate LRT passenger needs and provide better information to officers during an emergency response.

Thrive Lens Analysis

The purchase of this system advances the Thrive outcome of equity and livability by providing ongoing safe transportation to all Metro Transit Light Rail riders and Operators regardless of race, ethnicity, economic means or ability. This will all aid in and resolve adverse incidents that may occur during transit service of riders.

Funding

Funding for this purchase is included in the Metropolitan Council approved METRO Light Rail Operating Budget.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to this project.