

## Transportation Committee

Meeting date: October 25, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 10, 2021

**Subject:** Execute Contract Options with Gillig LLC, Contract 19P122

**District(s), Member(s):** Dist. 15 – Phillip Sterner; Dist. 16 – Wendy Wulff

**Policy/Legal Reference** FM 14-2 Expenditures for Procurement of Goods and Services

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Amy Vennewitz, Acting Director MTS (651) 602-1058  
Gerri Sutton, Asst. Director, Contracted Transit Service (651) 602-1672  
Paul Colton, Manager, Fleet Services, MTS (651) 242-1668

**Division/Department:** Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council Authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise existing contract options on Contract 19P122 with Gillig LLC to purchase up to 2 forty-foot buses in an amount not to exceed \$1,030,000.

### Background

The Council Executed contract 19P122 with Gillig LLC on March 2, 2021. The contract includes the purchase of 26 forty-foot low floor transit buses with options of up to an additional 149 low floor buses. There are currently option buses remaining on this contract which expires on March 1, 2025. Staff must receive Council approval prior to exercising options.

### Rationale

Two expansion buses will be purchased on behalf of MVTA, which was awarded funding in the last Regional Solicitation. This project will expand MVTA service with connecting routes to the new Orange Line BRT service.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

This purchase will support the use of transit system development and continues to provide a viable and efficient transportation alternative to current and new customers (sustainability) and enhances the quality of life in the region by reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality (livability).

### Funding

These buses are in the approved Capital Plan and will use federal funds and local funds.

### Known Support / Opposition

Support - MVTA