

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Board Action/Information Summary

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TITLE:

DC Circulator Bus Service Program

PURPOSE:

Request Board of Directors approval to expand the DC Circulator bus service program on behalf of DDOT including: 1. Amend and increase the FY09 Circulator Capital Budget by \$1,750,000 to be funded by transferring \$900,000 from the District of Columbia to the FY09 Circulator Capital budget and \$850,000 from the FY09 Operating Reimbursable budget for the DC Circulator. 2. Amend and reduce the FY09 Operating Reimbursable budget for DC Circulator by \$850,000. 3. Authorize staff to initiate and award a contract for the procurement of four (4) additional Van Hool buses and the ancillary equipment under the existing contract with ABC Bus Companies. 4. Authorize the General Manager to execute an amendment to the reimbursable project agreement with the District of Columbia to provide for the purchase of additional buses.

DESCRIPTION:

The Downtown DC Circulator bus service (the Circulator), was developed by the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), and the Downtown Business Improvement District (DBID), in cooperation with Metro serving as the technical advisor. The Circulator is designed to provide high-quality, frequent and convenient shuttle bus service from the area of the National Mall, tourist landmarks, and employment centers to entertainment destinations in the heart of DC. Ridership continues to grow on the Circulator's existing routes and additional routes are being considered for future expansion of the Circulator service.

DDOT wishes to transfer \$900,000 to the Circulator Capital Budget to be used in the procurement of 4 additional Van Hool 30-foot buses. Additionally, the Circulator operating account has \$850,000 of additional funds that may be utilized with the appropriate authorization in the Circulator capital account to be used in the procurement of the 4 buses. Metro will procure the 4 Van Hool 30-foot buses on behalf of DDOT and DDOT will own the buses.

FUNDING IMPACT:

Budget: FY 2009 Capital, DC Circulator, DC_CIRC_BPR0101
Office: DC Circulator
Account: DC Circulator
This Action: \$1,750,000
Remarks: This item is budgeted in the FY2009 Capital budget for the purpose of procuring additional Van Hool buses including ancillary equipment, related procurement and inspection services.

	FY09	
Budget	\$6,000,000	
This Action:	\$1,750,000	\$850,000 of these funds are currently in the Circulator operating budget. \$900,000 will be received from the District to the Circulator capital budget.
Revised Budget:	\$1,750,000	
Prior	\$6,000,000	
Approval:		
Remaining Budget:	\$ 0	

Budget: FY2009 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator
Office: DC Circulator
Account: DC Circulator
This Action: Amend the FY09 Circulator Operating Reimbursable Account by \$850,000 to the FY09 Circulator Capital Account.
Remarks: Amend the budget to decrease the Circulator Reimbursable Operating budget by \$850,000 and increase the Circulator Capital budget by \$1,750,000 (\$850,000 plus \$900,000).

All costs associated with the procurement of equipment will be fully reimbursed by the District of Columbia. Therefore, there will be no funding impact from this action. DDOT will be providing local funds to be used for this purchase.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to:

1. Amend and increase the FY09 Circulator Capital Budget by \$1,750,000 to be funded by transferring \$900,000 from the District of Columbia to the FY09 Circulator Capital budget and \$850,000 from the FY09 Operating Reimbursable budget for the DC Circulator project for the procurement of four (4) additional Van Hool buses and the ancillary equipment under the existing contract with ABC Bus Companies.

2. Amend and reduce the FY09 Operating Reimbursable budget for DC Circulator by \$850,000.
3. Authorize staff to initiate and award a contract for the purchase of 4 additional 30-foot Van Hool buses including ancillary bus equipment, related procurement and inspection services.
4. Authorize the General Manager to execute an amendment to the reimbursable project agreement with the District of Columbia to provide for the purchase of additional buses.

SUBJECT: AMENDED FISCAL 2009 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE DC CIRCULATOR PROJECT

PROPOSED
RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, By letters dated September 20, 2008 and October 31, 2008, the District of Columbia, through the Director of the Department of Transportation, requested assistance from Metro for the DC Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, Metro has previously agreed to undertake the procurement of fourteen (14) 30-foot Van Hool buses as agreed pursuant to Resolution 2007-52; and

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia has now asked Metro to procure and have delivered four (4) additional 30-foot Van Hool buses along with ancillary equipment for the Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, Metro will procure a total of eighteen (18) 30-foot Van Hool buses to be owned by the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, These activities will be conducted in accordance with the terms of the reimbursable project agreement executed by Metro and the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, This change in the scope of duties to be performed by Metro requires an increase in the Fiscal 2009 Circulator Capital Budget of \$1,750,000; and

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia has identified and will provide \$900,000 in funds for the Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, This change, in the scope of duties to be performed by Metro, requires an \$850,000 change in the Fiscal 2009 Circulator Operating Budget and the Fiscal 2009 Circulator Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia has assured Metro that the funds are eligible for use in the purchase of buses for the Circulator Project; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes Staff to negotiate and award the purchase of four (4) 30-foot Van Hool buses along with ancillary equipment for the Circulator Project on behalf of the District of Columbia; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the four (4) 30-foot Van Hool buses purchased for the Circulator Project will be owned by the District of Columbia; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves amending and increasing the Fiscal 2009 Circulator Capital Budget by \$1,750,000, to be funded by transferring \$900,000 from the District of Columbia to the Fiscal 2009 Circulator Capital Budget and \$850,000 from the Fiscal 2009 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves amending and reducing the Fiscal 2009 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator Project by \$850,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to execute an amendment to the reimbursable project agreement with the District of Columbia to provide for the purchase of additional buses; and be if further

RESOLVED, That Metro shall not incur any expenses concerning acquisition of these buses until funds have been received from the District of Columbia; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,



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