

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority
Board Action/Information Summary**

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PURPOSE

Request Board of Directors approval to expand the DC Circulator bus service program on behalf of DDOT including:

1. Amend the FY08 SAP Budget by \$6 million in order to cover the purchase of new Van Hool buses and the ancillary equipment.
2. Amend the FY08 Operating Reimbursable Budget by the remaining \$2,641,596.
3. Authorize staff to initiate and award a contract for the purchase of 14 additional 30-foot Van Hool buses including ancillary bus equipment, related procurement and inspection services.
4. Authorize the GM 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 WMATA 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 D.C. Ridership continues to grow on the Circulator's existing routes and two additional routes are being considered for future expansion of the Circulator service.

DDOT transferred appropriate funds to purchase 14 additional Van Hool 30-foot buses and, with appropriate authorization, WMATA will procure the 14 Van Hool 30-foot buses. DDOT will own the buses.

Prior Approvals

There have been prior approvals for the procurement of the existing fleet of Van Hool buses currently in use on the Circulator service. These buses were purchased with the DC Riders' Trust Fund and are owned by WMATA.

FUNDING IMPACT

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. Cost estimates for this program are still under development. DDOT has provided local funds to be used for this purchase.

Budget: Fiscal 2008 SAP Budget, DC Circulator, DC_CIRC_BPR0101

Office: DC Circulator

Account: DC Circulator

This Action: \$6,000,000

Remarks: This item is budgeted in Fiscal 2008 SAP for the purpose of procuring 14 30-foot Van Hool buses including ancillary equipment, related procurement and inspection services.

Budget: FY08
\$16,266,000

This Action: 6,000,000

This amount is being provided to WMATA from the District of Columbia.

Revised Budget \$22,266,000

Prior Approval: 11,927,444

Remaining Budget: \$10,388,556

Budget: Fiscal 2008 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator
 Office: DC Circulator
 Account: DC Circulator
 This Action: \$2,641,596
 Remarks: These funds were provided by the District of Columbia to be used for marketing and operating costs associated with the DC Circulator.

	FY08	
Budget:	\$	0
This Action:	2,641,596	This amount is being provided to WMATA from the District of Columbia.
Prior Approval:	<u>0</u>	
Remaining Budget:	\$2,641,596	

RECOMMENDATION

Request Board of Directors approval to expand the DC Circulator bus service program on behalf of DDOT including:

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PRESENTED AND ADOPTED:

**SUBJECT: AMENDED FISCAL 2008 SAP BUDGET AND THE FISCAL 2008
OPERATING REIMBURSABLE 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, 2007 and October 31, 2007 the District of Columbia through the Director of the Department of Transportation requested assistance from WMATA for the DC Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, The District has identified and provided an additional \$8,641,596 in funds for the Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia has assured WMATA that the funds are eligible for use in the purchase of buses for the Circulator Project; and

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia has asked WMATA to procure and have delivered fourteen (14) thirty-foot Van Hool Buses along with ancillary equipment for the Circulator Project; and

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

WHEREAS, This change in the scope of duties to be performed by WMATA requires an increase in the Fiscal 2008 SAP Budget of \$6,000,000.00; and


WHEREAS, The change in the scope of duties to be performed by WMATA requires an increase in the Fiscal 2008 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator Project by \$2,641,596.00; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors amends and increases the Fiscal 2008 SAP by \$6,000,000.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors amends and increases the Fiscal 2008 Operating Reimbursable Budget for the DC Circulator Project by \$2,641,596.00; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,



Carol B. O'Keeffe
General Counsel

PROPOSED