



Date: March 27, 2026

To: Senator Erin Murphy
Senate Majority Leader

Senator John Marty, Chair
Senate Finance Committee

Senator Scott Dibble, Chair
Senate Transportation Committee

Senator John Jasinski, Ranking Member
Senate Transportation Committee

Representative Lisa Demuth
Speaker of the House

Representative Cedrick Frazier, Co-Chair
House Ways and Means Committee

Representative Jon Koznick, Co-Chair
House Transportation Finance and Policy
Committee

Representative Brad Tabke, Co-Chair
House Transportation Finance and Policy
Committee

From: Commissioner Erin Campbell

Subject: Metropolitan Council Procurement Review, M.S. 473.915

Under Minnesota Statutes, Section 473.915, the Metropolitan Council must notify the appropriate members of the Legislative Advisory Commission as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 3.30, and the appropriate ranking minority members of committees with oversight, of any proposed procurement exceeding \$125,000,000.

Attached for your review is the Metropolitan Council's notification regarding a procurement for \$133,602,701.71.

Please review the attached materials. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact Dan Hintz, MMB Budget Coordinator, at daniel.hintz@state.mn.us.

cc: Eric Nauman, Senate Principal Fiscal Analyst
Emily Adriaens, House Chief Fiscal Analyst
Michelle Yurich, Legislative Coordinating Commission Executive Director
Elspeth Cavert, Senate Finance Committee Administrator
Harry Kennedy, House Ways and Means Committee Administrator
Sean Herring, House Ways and Means Committee Administrator
Beth Ethier, Senate Transportation Committee Administrator
Joe Marble, House Transportation Finance and Policy Committee Administrator
Matt Baumann, House Transportation Finance and Policy Committee Administrator



March 16, 2026

Commissioner Erin Campbell
Minnesota Management and Budget
Secretary, Legislative Advisory Commission
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Notice of Procurement
109 Transit Buses
Minnesota Statutes, section 473.915

Dear Commissioner Campbell:

Minnesota Statutes, section 473.915, provides that the chair of the Metropolitan Council shall give notice to the Legislative Advisory Commission secretary when a Council procurement of over \$125,000,000 is being considered.

Pursuant to that provision, I hereby notify you that the Metropolitan Council plans to utilize the Washington Enterprise Services Contract in Q2 2026 to procure 109 transit buses, with an anticipated value of \$133,602,701.71.

The Washington Enterprise Services Contract is a competitively procured contract that enables public agencies to acquire goods and services through pre-negotiated pricing, terms, and vendor selections. By utilizing this contract, the Council can leverage a procurement vehicle that offers multiple bus types and brands through a range of vehicle options without conducting a separate solicitation. This approach reduces administrative time and costs, allows the Council to benefit from competitively negotiated pricing, and maintains compliance with applicable public procurement requirements.

Please let me know if you would like a representative of the Council to provide you further information regarding this procurement in writing, in person, or by an appearance before the Commission. Please contact Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, at jody.jacoby@metc.state.mn.us for any requests for additional information or testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robin Hutcheson".

Robin Hutcheson
Chair

CC: Senate Majority Leader Erin Murphy
Sen. John Marty, Chair, Senate Finance Committee
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