



## Legislation Text

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The proposed resolution amends Metro Transit's adopted 2019 capital budget to add \$825,000 GO Borrowing to the Transit Coaches capital program for the purchase of three electric bus battery packs with a 6-year extended warranty. The completed non-competitive purchase form is attached to this resolution to support the purchase from Protera, Inc. who is the manufacturer of the three associated electric buses.

In January of 2018 the Low-No Emission Grant from U.S. Department of Transportation was awarded to City of Madison Metro Transit to provide \$1.28 million in support of the purchase and delivery of three electric buses (Legistar File #49545). At the time of the grant award no budget appropriation was provided for the three bus batteries. The three electric buses are anticipated to be delivered to Metro in 2020. The funding for the batteries proposed in this resolution will allow the batteries to be purchased in 2019 to ensure timely delivery.

The total estimated cost for these three electric buses with batteries, chargers, and warranty is \$3.78 million. The 2020 capital budget request for Metro Transit is anticipated to include \$1.4 million in 2020 for the remaining funding component of the total \$3.78 million cost, split evenly between GO Borrowing and formula federal funding.

Amending the 2019 Metro Transit Utility Capital Budget to add \$825,000 GO Borrowing for three (3) electric bus battery packs and a 6-year extended warranty for a total warranty time of 12 years and authorizing the noncompetitive purchase of more than \$50,000 in goods from Protera, Inc.

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is committed to sustainability, including a goal of lowering emissions and converting the bus fleet to electric buses; and

WHEREAS, Metro Transit was awarded a federal Low-No Emission Grant in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Metro Transit will be taking delivery of three (3) electric buses in 2020 as a result of this grant; and

WHEREAS, Metro needs to purchase three battery packs for the electric buses at a cost of approximately \$275,000 each, including a 6-year extended warranty;

WHEREAS, Protera, Inc. has been identified and approved as the sole source bus vendor for this project (resolution file #49545); and

WHEREAS, MGO 4.26 requires Common Council approval of service contracts of \$50,000 or more if the contractor was not selected through a competitive selection process, and the reasons for selecting this contractor are set forth above and in the attached Noncompetitive Selection Request Form, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MADISON that the 2019 Transit Utility Capital Budget be amended to add \$825,000 GO Borrowing to the Transit Coaches capital program to purchase three (3) electric bus battery packs, including a 6-year extended warranty for a total warranty of 12 years.