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LEGISLATIVE REPORT ON TRANSIT OPERATING RESERVES



The Council's mission is to foster efficient and economic growth for a prosperous metropolitan region

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The Metropolitan Council is the regional planning organization for the seven-county Twin Cities area. The Council operates the regional bus and rail system, collects, and treats wastewater, coordinates regional water resources, plans, and helps fund regional parks, and administers federal funds that provide housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals and families. The 17-member Council board is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the governor.

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Purpose

This is a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy, by March 1, 2022, on the total operating expenses and reserves of the Replacement Service Providers and Metropolitan Council as required by Minnesota Statutes 473.452.

Introduction

As required, each replacement service provider as defined by Minnesota Statutes 473.388 has provided to the Council the total operating expenses projected for 2022 and the operating reserve balance as of December 31, 2021. The Metropolitan Council is providing the total operating expenses budgeted in the Council's 2022 Unified Budget, adopted December 8, 2021, and the (unaudited) projected operating reserve fund balance as of December 31, 2021. These amounts are contained in the table below.

As of February 28, 2022 (\$ in 000s)

	Projected (unaudited) Operating Reserves Fund Balance 12/31/2021	Projected 2022 Operating Expenditures
Replacement Service Providers		
Maple Grove	\$7,982	\$5,384
MVTA	\$18,243	\$34,628
Plymouth	\$8,922	\$6,018
Southwest Transit	\$8,215	\$15,323
Metropolitan Council		
Metro Mobility	\$25,313	\$97,633
Contracted Services	\$18,316	\$28,676
Transportation Planning	\$7,407	\$14,774
Bus Operations	\$71,464	\$408,783
Light Rail	\$15,663	\$28,676
Commuter Rail	\$9,285	\$14,774
MVST	\$59,561	



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