



Date: January 3, 2019

To: City of Appleton
Common Council
Finance Committee
Fox Cities Transit Commission

From: Ron McDonald, General Manager *REM*

Re: Request to Purchase Transit Buses

Valley Transit is hereby requesting authorization to purchase seven (7) 35' New Flyer Xcelsior transit buses not to exceed \$3,500,000 inclusive of miscellaneous tools and parts.

The Federal Transit Administration will invest 80% (\$2,800,000) and local investment will be used for the remaining 20% (\$700,000).

The new buses will replace existing outdated Orion transit buses. The Federal Transit Administration requires heavy duty transit buses to be operated a minimum of 12 years or 500,000 miles. The Valley Transit buses scheduled for replacement have exceeded the minimum requirements set forth by the Federal Transit Administration.

It is the desire of Valley Transit to issue a purchase order to New Flyer through a Piggyback Procurement previously solicited by Connect Transit in Normal, IL. This is the procurement previously used by Valley Transit for the past two bus purchases.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize Valley Transit to enter into a contract with New Flyer to purchase seven (7) 35' New Flyer Xcelsior transit buses not to exceed \$3,500,000 inclusive of miscellaneous tools and parts with a budget adjustment utilizing \$2,800,000 federal grant funding and \$700,000 restricted cash.

