

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SEVEN CLASS 400 LOW FLOOR
MEDIUM DUTY BUSES THROUGH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA COOPERATIVE
PROCUREMENT PROCESS**

WHEREAS, the City of Mankato is a direct recipient of federal and state funds for a public transit system; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration determines the service life for a Class 400 bus as 150,000 miles or 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Department of Transportation has identified all seven 2017 model Class 400 buses as eligible for replacement using state funds in the year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mankato desires to replace, through the State of Minnesota Cooperative Procurement Process, vehicles to be used in the public transit system; and

WHEREAS; the Equipment Replacement Fund identifies \$454,200 for seven Class 400 replacement bus; and

WHEREAS; the vehicles cost is allocated at a 10% local share (\$192,500) for seven 2025 Class 400 low floor medium duty buses; and

WHEREAS; the City of Mankato has reviewed the vehicle options offered by approved multiple contracting vendors; and

WHEREAS; the staff recommends purchasing Class 400 Arboc low floor medium duty buses from North Central Bus and Equipment Inc for the reason of cost, fleet consistency, service availability, and past vendor performance: and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Mankato hereby authorizes the purchase of seven new transit buses from North Central Bus and Equipment Inc. in the approximate amount of \$1.925 million. The City Manager is authorized and directed to use fund reserves not to exceed \$200,000 to cover local share.

This resolution shall become effective upon its passage without further publication.

Passed this 11th day of August 2025.

Najwa Massad, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Renae Kopischke, MMC
City Clerk