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AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE TWO BLUE BIRD
COMMERCIAL SERIES REAR ENGINE (CSRE) BUSES
FROM A CITY OF WILSONVILLE CONTRACT

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REPORT: At the June 18, 1992 meeting, per Resolution #92-121, the Board adopted the Traffic Demand Management Plan (TDMP) in order to promote and offer alternative modes of transportation with the goal of reducing single-occupancy vehicles on college campuses throughout the district. Programs and/or services provided to achieve this objective, including the shuttle service, are funded from revenue derived from the sale of parking permits, which has been earmarked for this purpose.

The Parking and Transportation Services Department (PTS) was established to administer the TDMP, which in turn, implemented the PCC shuttle service on September 20, 1993. This service has realized a steady growth in annual ridership since its inception. During fiscal year 2002, the shuttle service transported 73,990 riders between the four service routes, and routinely began turning away riders due to limited carrying capacity. The shuttles currently pass up an average of 86 passengers per day, or approximately 14,000 riders per year.

PTS is presently operating PCC's shuttle service utilizing vans with a 15-passenger capacity. It is necessary to upgrade this service by replacing two of the 15-passenger vans with two buses, each having a 41-passenger capacity, including two (2) wheelchair stations.

The City of Wilsonville has a contract with Western Bus Sales, Inc. for Blue Bird Commercial Series Rear Engine (CSRE) buses , which may be utilized by the College. The College's purchase of Blue Bird CSRE buses from Western Bus Sales would be exempt from further competitive bidding because they would be ordered from an existing Governmental contract. However, purchases of \$50,000 or more require Board approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors authorize the purchase of two (2) Blue Bird CSRE buses from Western Bus Sales for the amount of \$299,846.00 from an existing Governmental contract. Funds for this purchase will come from the Parking and Transportation Services Auxiliary Fund.

Director McKinney moved to approve Resolutions 03-067 through 03-081 by consent agenda and it passed unanimously.