ORDINANCE NO. 005-141

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH OPTIMA BUS CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF UP TO 125 LOW-FLOOR, ACCESSIBLE, 30-FOOT, AIR CONDITIONED BUSES

WHEREAS, The Authority desires to replace some of its current bus fleet; and

WHEREAS, The Authority issued a request for proposal (RFP) for up to 125, low floor, accessible, 30-foot, air conditioned buses; and

WHEREAS, The base order for these buses consists of up to 50 buses, with a minimum purchase of 35 buses; and

WHEREAS, Option No. 1 includes up to 75 additional buses; and

WHEREAS, The base order and Option № 1 are designated to be part of the replacement for the Orion 4900 and Flxible 5300 series buses; and

WHEREAS, Five manufacturers responded to the RFP, three responses being a no bid; and

WHEREAS, The current capital funding program allocates \$17,296,661.00 to purchase up to 50 buses under the base order; and

WHEREAS, The responses were reviewed by an evaluation committee; and

WHEREAS, Optima's response was deemed the most advantageous to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that a base order contract for 50 buses be awarded to Optima Bus Corporation; now therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a base contract with Optima Bus Corporation for the purchase of

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50, low-floor, accessible, 30-foot, air conditioned buses (including spares), under Requisition No. C04RT100138553, at a cost not to exceed \$17,296,661.00.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:	PASSED:
Vice-Chairman	Assistant Secretary
September 14 2005	September 14 2005