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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Commission Members

**FROM:** Cliff Lippard  
Executive Director

**DATE:** 30 May 2024

**SUBJECT:** Rolling Stock—Update

At the Commission's January 2024 meeting, Mayor Rial requested that the Commission study challenges with availability and timelines for delivery of large government vehicles—also called rolling stock—like ambulances, fire trucks, and other emergency vehicles. Commission members also noted issues with the purchase of school buses and mandated bus replacement schedules. The Commission approved the study and added it to their work program.

Today, the Commission will hear from the following panelists who are knowledgeable about challenges related to the purchase and delivery of rolling stock:

- Bob Williams, Assistant Commissioner, Vehicle and Asset Management, Tennessee Department of General Services
- Michael Neely, Category Specialist, Central Procurement Office, Tennessee Department of General Services
- Donny Bear, Director, Dickson County Emergency Medical Service
- Steve Emfinger, Administrative Services Manager, General Services Department, Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
- Alex Spann, Student Transportation Manager, Office of School Safety and Transportation, Tennessee Department of Education