SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.                SUBJECT:  2009 PATCO Operating Budget

COMMITTEE:       Finance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE:  November 19, 2008

BOARD ACTION DATE:     December 10, 2008

PROPOSAL:  Approval of the proposed 2009 Port Authority Transit Corporation (PATCO) Operating Budget.

PURPOSE:  Approval of the 2009 PATCO Operating Budget provides the financial framework for PATCO operations in FY 2009 and enables the administrative powers of the President to deal with routine and required day to day operating expenditures as provided in Article XII of the PATCO Bylaws.

BACKGROUND:  The 2009 Operating Budget was developed to fund the normal operation and maintenance activities of the transit system. The proposed 2009 Operating Budget was developed as a result of departmental submissions and input from Directors and staff, internal review with the General Manager, and then refined through a formal review process led by the President and a budget review committee. The proposed $45,145,392 Operating Budget represents an increase of $2,680,482 or 6.31% in comparison to the approved 2008 Operating Budget.

Key elements of the Budget are summarized as follows:

Revenue and Ridership- The estimated ridership for 2009 is projected to be 10.1 million passengers. The estimated $22,398,200 of revenue derived from passenger fares amounts to 94% of the estimated total 2009 revenue of $23,798,000. The $1,399,800 balance of the estimated total 2009 revenue is derived from parking fees, lease & rental income, advertising income, interest income, and other miscellaneous sources.

The estimated revenue for 2009 is $3,080,500 greater than the 2008 budgeted revenue of $20,717,500 and $1,569,850 greater than the 2008 projected actuals estimate of $22,228,150.
Expenses - The proposed $45,145,392 Operating Budget for 2009 is broken down as follows:

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<th>Expense Category</th>
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<tr>
<td>Labor</td>
<td>39.95</td>
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<td>Employee Service Expense (Benefits)</td>
<td>16.80</td>
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<td>Electrical Power (High Tension Service)</td>
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<td>Inter-Company Services – Public Safety</td>
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<td>Material</td>
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<td>Contractual Services</td>
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<td>Insurance &amp; Claims Expense</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous All Other</td>
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The Operating Budget is largely driven by the first four (4) items above. Together, Labor, Employee Service Expenses, Electrical Power, and Inter-Company Services for Public Safety account for 80.5% of the Total Operating Budget.

Labor costs and its growth are controlled by the actual size of the work force, known or anticipated changes in wage and salary rates, overtime, and the amount of capital labor in support of capital improvement projects by the DRPA and transit construction/maintenance projects funded by the Federal Transit Administration. Capital labor related to the DRPA capital improvement projects is included in the DRPA Capital budget and appropriately deducted from the PATCO operating budget.

The 2009 proposed Budget includes 329.5 regular Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) of operating and capitalized labor (inclusive of part-time employees).

Staff recommends adoption of the proposed 2009 Operating Budget.

SUMMARY:  
Amount: $45,145,392  
Source of Funds: 2009 Operating Revenues  
Other Sources of Funds: General Funds
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the 2009 PATCO Operating Budget in the amount of $45,145,392 is hereby approved; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED That PATCO shall not expend funds in excess of the total authorized 2009 Operating Budget, in the amount $45,145,392 unless such Budget shall be amended by Resolution of the Board of Commissioners to increase said authorization.

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