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MTA BOARD APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY CITY TO ISSUE \$25 MILLION BOND COULD RESULT IN NEW DASH BUSES

The MTA Board has approved a \$25 million Los Angeles City bond program that will enable the city to purchase 81 new buses for DASH and Commuter Express.

The money will be repaid to the MTA from the city's share of Proposition C funds. Propositions A and C, ½-cent sales tax measures, approved by the voters of Los Angeles County separately in 1980 and 1990, dedicate revenues to transportation improvements in Los Angeles County.

The \$25 million bond issue is not part of the MTA's budget nor will it impact the MTA's ability to purchase its own new buses. The MTA currently is receiving four new CNG buses a week out of an order of 250 buses and intends to purchase hundreds of new coaches over the next few years.

The bond issue next will be reviewed by the Los Angeles City Council and, subject to its approval, should result in the order for the new buses in June.

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