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**Subject:** RE: MVCSP comments on Mountain View Community Shuttle - Various Actions to Mountain View City Council

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- Do we really need buses as large as Vicinity Lightning with capacity up to 31 passengers? Would it not be more beneficial to lease smaller and cheaper buses, but more of them for increased frequency?
- Did Staff consider leasing hybrid vehicles to reduce the cost of fuel and provide more flexibility for using them as backup vehicles and for adding fleet capacity in peak hours if needed?

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

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