

RESOLUTION No. 24-220

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BEEFREE, LLC. D/B/A FREEBEE FOR A SEVEN-MONTH PERIOD WITH A ONE-TIME OPTIONAL SIX-MONTH EXTENSION, TO PROVIDE FIRST AND LAST MILE DOOR-TO-DOOR ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE FOR CITY'S SENIOR CITIZENS UNDER THE CURRENT TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PRICING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED DEPARTMENT BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT AND TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY WITH RESPECT TO THE AGREEMENT APPROVED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department (PWD) is continuously exploring ways to provide alternative modes of transportation options to its residents, employees, and visitors as a mean to improve mobility and reduce congestion, and

WHEREAS, on the August 2023, Council Meeting, the Mayor and Councilmembers expressed interest in providing an on-demand transit service to the City's senior citizen population; and

WHEREAS; on the December 2023, Council Meeting, the PWD presented to the Mayor and Councilmembers a high level overview of vendors that currently provide on-demand transit services in South Florida; and

WHEREAS, on the January 2024, Council Meeting, the PWD presented possible cost scenarios and identified points of interest for door-to-door on-demand transit service. During this meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers requested staff to negotiate a

contract agreement with Freebee for two (2) Tesla Model X vehicles to service the Senior citizen community for a 6-month Pilot Program at 50-hours per week; and

WHEREAS, at the March 13, 2024, Council Meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 24-53 (approved 5-0) authorizing the City Manager to waive the competitive bidding process and approve a contract with Freebee for the establishment of a six (6) month pilot program to provide first-last mile door-to-door on-demand transit service to seniors for up to 50-hours a week; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2024, the City launched the City's Senior On Demand Transit Service. On July 15, the PWD coordinated with Freebee and the City Manager's office to increase operating hours and include a weekend service for up to 50-hours a week which has been requested by most seniors; and

WHEREAS, the current Service Agreement with Freebee for the Senior On-Demand transit service Pilot Program is set to expire on October 15, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the PWD respectfully requests authorization for the City Manager to extend the Service Agreement with Freebee for a seven-month period with a one-time optional six-month extension to provide last-mile door-to-door on-demand for the Senior Citizens Transit Service Pilot Program at an amount not to exceed the Departmental budgeted funds while the City provides collected ridership to council for adoption of the Senior Citizen On-Demand service as part of the City On-Demand Transit Service; and

WHEREAS, funding to cover the cost for this request is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2024-25, in the Transportation Plan Fund – "Contractual Services" Account, Account Num. 101.80005.500341.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Approval. The Service Contract Agreement extension for a seven-month period with a one-time optional six-month between the City of Doral and Freebee for door-to-door Senior Citizens Transit Service Pilot Program under the same terms and conditions, in an amount not to exceed the departmental budgeted funds, is hereby approved.

Section 3. Authorization. The City Manager is authorized to execute the Service Contract Agreement extension and expend budgeted funds on behalf of the City.

Section 4. Implementation. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and the provisions of this resolution.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilmember Porras who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Puig-Corve and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Oscar Puig-Corve	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Maureen Porras	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11 day of September, 2024.



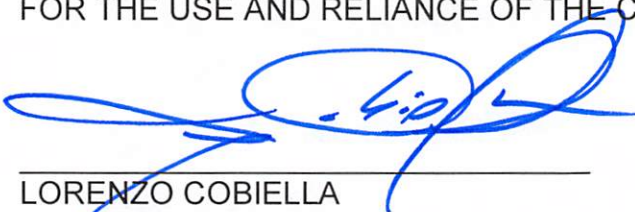
CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
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