

# CITY OF DORAL COUNCIL MEETING MEMORANDUM

### **ITEM TITLE:**

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 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 TO COINCIDE WITH THE FDOT GRANT PERIOD TO PROVIDE FIRST AND LAST MILE DOOR-TO-DOOR ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE UNDER THE CURRENT TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PRICING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE DEPARTMENTAL 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; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

#### **DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval

### **BRIEF HISTORY:**

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. The PWD started coordinating with Freebee since July 2016 to explore the possibility of bringing this alternative mode of transit service to the City of Doral. On March 13, 2019, the Mayor and the City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 19-65 (approved 4-0, I absent) approving entering into a Master Service Agreement with Freebee for a six-month Pilot Program to operate at no cost to the City. To date, the Mayor and Councilmembers have approved four (7) contract extensions with Freebee. At the September 2021 Council Meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 21-212 (approved 5-0) approving a one (1) year contract agreement extension with Freebee. At the October 2022 Council Meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 22-197 (approved 5-0) authorizing a one contract extension with Freebee. This new contract extension amended the Scope of Services and Rates respectively, to include the Tesla Model X vehicles. On August 9, 2023, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 23-138 (approved 5-0) approving extending the Service Agreement with Freebee for a six-month period with a one-time optional six-month extension. Lastly, at the April 2024 Council Meeting, the Mayor and Councilmembers adopted Resolution 24-219

(approved 5-0) approving extending the Service Agreement with Freebee for a six-month period with a one-time optional six-month extension.

On November 22, 2024, the City was awarded the Public Transit Service Development Program Grant for the City's On-Demand Transit Service for the Fiscal Year 2026 to provide an additional vehicle to the city service and improve waiting times.

At this time, the PWD is requesting to extend the current Service Agreement with Freebee through June 30, 2026, under the same terms and conditions as the contract extension letter dated April 15, 2024, to coincide with the FDOT Grant period. This contract extension will allow the PWD to fulfill the grant and allow the PWD to work with the Procurement Division to work on research, development and procure and advertise a new Request for Proposal (RFP) for the City's On-Demand Transit Service.

## **LEGISLATIVE ACTION: (IF APPLICABLE)**

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments
3-13-2019	Resolution No. 19-65	Approved
9-11-2019	Resolution No. 19-234	Approved
10-8-2019	Resolution No. 19-255	Approved
10-8-2021	Resolution No. 21-212	Approved
10-5-2022	Resolution No. 22-197	Approved
8-9-2023	Resolution No. 23-138	Approved
4-15-2024	Resolution No. 24-219	Approved

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION: (IF APPLICABLE)

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds	
Ι.	\$489,000.00	106.80005.500341	Contractual Service Account	
2.	\$0			
Total:	\$489,000.00			
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**Fiscal Impact Statement:** The proposed item has a fiscal impact on revenues and/or expenditures of \$489,000.00

### **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

This item follows the Transportation strategic initiative of the City's Strategic Plan as it addresses public transportation.

## **ATTACHMENT(S):**

- A. Draft Resolution.
- B. Contract Extension.
- C. FDOT Grant Award.