

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 TO ADOPT THE STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (DOAS) CONTRACT WITH HOMETOWN TROLLEY FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) TROLLEYS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

BRIEF HISTORY:

The Public Works Department (PWD) continuously reviews the Doral Transit System (DTS) to recommend improvements that will allow the city to keep up with passenger demands. The City's Trolley System currently consists of nineteen (19) vehicles servicing four (4) routes. During the weekday peak service, there are twelve (12) vehicles in service, leaving seven (7) vehicles as spares. However, the City has an aging fleet and experiences service down time due to maintenance issues and vehicle regen. Regen, or regeneration, is a process that involves burning off soot and other contaminants from the diesel particulate filter (DPF) to help keep the engine running smoothly. Regen may take 30 to 60 minutes, depending on the engine type and the amount of buildup. If this process does not occur the trolley vehicle will not be able to operate.

Below is a list of the City's Trolley fleet and the corresponding mileage. Eleven (11) of the twenty (20) vehicles have over 300,000 miles and another three (3) have over 200,000 miles.

Trolley No.	Model Year	Mileage
DT01	2009 Freightliner Supreme	326,445
DT02	2018 Hometown Villager	326,467
DT05	2011 Freightliner Supreme	324,056
DT06	2013 Ford Hometown	379,813
DT07	2014 Hometown Villager	357,995
DT08	2014 Hometown Villager	391,210
DTI0	2015 Hometown Villager	389,883
DTII	2015 Hometown Villager	485,422

DTI2	2016 Hometown Villager	390,714
DTI3	2018 Hometown Villager	285,143
DTI4	2018 Hometown Villager	332,556
DT15	2018 Hometown Villager	299,896
DTI6	2018 Hometown Villager	374,823
DTI7	2020 Hometown Villager	229,395
DT18	2025 Hometown Villager	30,598
DT19	2025 Hometown Villager	18,492
DT20	2025 Hometown Villager	12,070
DT21	2025 Hometown Villager	18,667
DT22	2025 Hometown Villager	9,653
DT23	2025 Hometown Villager	5,344

At the June 2023 City Council meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Ordinance No. 2023-14, (approved 5-0) amending The People's Transportation Fund budget in the amount of \$1,315,181.00, for the purchase of five (5) new Hometown Trolley 34' Diesel Trolley Villager vehicles, which is the same make and model of the last twelve trolleys purchased. Such funds were carried forward to the current Fiscal Year 2023-24. In Fiscal Year 2023-24, the City budgeted \$1,320,000.00 in the Public Works Department People's Transportation Plan Fund Budget for the purchase of five (5) additional trolleys. The total funding available for the purchase of ten (10) trolleys was \$2,635,181.00. The cost of each trolley was \$263,518.10. On December 6, 2023, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 23-226 (approved 5-0) authorizing City Staff to purchase (10) front engine chassis vehicles from Hometown Trolley utilizing the State of Georgia DOAS Statewide Contract, Contract No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000212-0002. Immediately after Council approval, City staff commenced the Purchase Order request process in which the vendor needed to be registered, and all required vendor documentation was requested and provided. On January 9, 2024, PWD staff provided Hometown Trolley with a copy of the Purchase Order. On January 11, 2024, Hometown Trolley notified City staff that the front engine chassis was no longer available and that the best alternative available is the rear engine chassis, Streetcar 34' Freightliner 6.7L Diesel, which is similar to the current fleet. Please see attached quote for vehicle image. This type of vehicle provided more benefits than the previous model, such as shorter turning radius, easier and more accessible maintenance, less interior noise, less interior heat in the driver area, increased ride quality, entrance door closer to driver, increased horsepower, heavier suspension/GVW, and options for larger ducted HVAC. However, the cost of this type of vehicle at the time was \$72,805.76 higher than the front engine vehicle totaling \$336,323.86 per vehicle.

At the February 2024 City Council meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Reso No. 24-29 repealing resolution No. 23-226 since the current approved funding would only allow for the purchase of eight (8) rear engine trolleys, instead of ten (10) front engine vehicles as previously approved. From the approved eight vehicles (8), six (6) vehicles have been delivered as of July 2025. The pending two (2) vehicles are scheduled to be delivered by the end of August 2025.

For Fiscal Year 2024-25, the PWD budgeted \$1,685,000 on the CITT Fund for the purchase of an additional five (5) vehicles. The cost of the mentioned trolleys has increased, and the available funding will only allow for the purchase of four (4) vehicles. The PWD respectfully requests authorization to adopt the State of Georgia DOAS Contract (SWC) #: 99999-SPD-SPD0000212-0002 for the purchase four (4) new Hometown Trolley 34' Freightliner 6.7L Diesel trolley. This contract provides the best prices on the market and allows the City of Doral to continue to purchase trolleys that meet the City's needs and requirements.

As per section 2-322 of the City's code, the city manager is authorized to purchase supplies, materials, equipment and contractual services which are the subject of contracts through cooperative purchasing ventures, including those from other governmental entities that have publicly procured the same goods and services required under this request.

Attached please find "Exhibit A" which includes the quotes from Hometown Trolley for the rear engine chassis vehicle.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION: (IF APPLICABLE)

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments
12/6/2023	Resolution No. 23-226	Adopted
2/14/2024	Resolution No. 24-29	Adopted

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: (IF APPLICABLE)

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
Ι.	\$1,685.000.00	106.80005.500641	Capital Outlay- vehicles
2.			

Fiscal Impact Statement: The proposed item has a fiscal impact on expenditures of \$1,434.183.64 for the purchase of four (4) Trolleys.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item follows the Public Safety strategic initiative of the City's Strategic Plan as it addresses roadway maintenance, asset sustainability, and helps improve safety along pedestrian facilities where applicable.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. Quote
- B. Georgia Contract Renewal
- C. Resolution.