



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2009**

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer pursuant to Section 2-583 to waive the requirements of the Procurement Code, authorizing the purchase of two (2) trolleys; and further authorizing an appropriation of funds for said purchase.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER:

Approval.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City has an opportunity to purchase two (2) used trolleys (2002 year model) from Specialty Vehicles, Inc. These trolleys have been inspected by the Automotive Director who has found both trolleys to be in sound mechanical condition with replacement or rebuilt major components with low mileage. The bodies of the trolleys have also been found to be in above average condition.

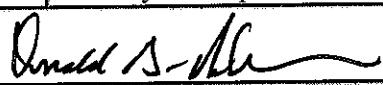
The Trolley Division currently operates two hybrid trolleys. The hybrids have shown to be more costly to maintain and repair than diesel powered trolleys. One of the two hybrids in operation currently requires extensive repairs and replacement parts. In addition, one of the current diesel trolleys will be fifteen (15) years old in the near future. It appears Miami-Dade County code requires that all passenger motor carriers be retired from service after fifteen (15) model years.

The City Commission may waive any requirements of the Procurement Code pursuant to section 2-583, upon a four-fifths (4/5's) vote where it finds such waiver to be necessary in order to proceed with a contract in the best interests of the City.

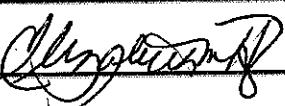
The Procurement Code is requested to be waived pursuant to Section 2-583 to allow for purchase of two trolleys to ensure the continuous operations of trolley services to the public and the Chief Procurement Officer requests that the City Commission find that the City has the opportunity to purchase two used vehicles at acceptable pricing which will allow the city to maintain continuous and reliable trolley service.

An appropriation of \$70,000 is hereby authorized for the purchase of two (2) trolleys from the Trolley/Transportation Fund Account No. 360-1580-544-64-10.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.	\$70,000.00	360-1580-544-64-10	Trolley/Transportation Fund
Total:	\$70,000.00	APPROVED BY:	

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Department Director	City Attorney	City Manager
		

Attachment(s)

1. Draft Resolution