

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING December 11, 2018

ITEM TITLE:

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Public Transportation Grant Agreement as identified in the Revised Notice of Grant Award FM # 444357-1 between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Coral Gables to provide Flex Route Transportation Service via Electric Vehicles.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables contracted with Freebee to provide point to point ride services during streetscape construction pursuant to City Commission Resolution No. 2016-270. The point to point micro transit service provided in excess of 60,000 trips in the first twelve months and was well received by the Coral Gables downtown community.

In May of 2018, the City applied for a grant from the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) to fund a TPO Smart Demonstration Project. The City's proposed project was a Flex Route Transportation Service via Electric Vehicles. The proposal submitted was approved by the TPO and forwarded to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for final funding determination.

On November 14, 2018 FDOT issued a Revised Notice of Grant Award FM# 444357-1 notifying the City of the award of matching funds under the Service Development Program for FY2019-FY2021 of \$629,199 (\$209,733 annually for three years).

A Public Transportation Grant Agreement is being prepared by FDOT for matching fund financial assistance to fund up to 50% of the cost of providing a Flex Rate Transportation Service via Electric Vehicles.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Proposed Resolution
- 2. Revised Notice of Grant Award