

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH FREEBEE TO PROVIDE ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR ONE (1) YEAR WITH TWO (2) ONE YEAR OPTIONS, AT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$483,625 ANNUALLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-607(17) OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED “EXEMPTIONS (PURCHASE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES)”.

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to assisting businesses adversely affected by construction of the Miracle Mile / Giralda Avenue Streetscape Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Point to Point transportation service provided by Freebee during the Streetscape Project was an unqualified success; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to provide an ongoing free, “last-mile” public transportation service within the Downtown area; and

**WHEREAS**, this project would consist of a fleet of street-legal, multi-passenger electric carts providing free, flexible, on-demand, door-to-door service to the general public between any two points within the service area; and

**WHEREAS**, fixed route(s) could also be incorporated connecting the City’s parking garages to major destination points; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will also explore the potential of a limited advertising partnership to help subsidize the costs of the service, including branding the vehicles that would provide merchants with an additional platform for promoting their businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, under Section 2-607(17) of the Procurement Code, entitled “Exemptions (Purchase of Public Transportation Services),” transportation services that serve the general public are exempt from the Procurement Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Freebee was identified by City staff as the desired provider for this service on the basis of the company’s unique experience and capacity in this area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s Economic Development Department and Parking Department are supporting enhancing and expanding the project with Freebee.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:**

**Section 1.** The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**Section 2.** That the City Commission authorizes City Staff to negotiate and execute a contract with Freebee to provide on-demand public transportation services for one (1) year with two (2) one year options, at an amount not to exceed \$483,625 annually pursuant to Section 2-607(17) of the Procurement Code entitled “Exemptions (Purchase of Public Transportation Services)”.

**Section 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS EIGHTH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

(Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_)  
(Passed 0/0 vote)

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY URQUIA  
CITY CLERK

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