

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-153

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO SECURE A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GRANT IN SUPPORT OF THE EXPANSION OF THE NORTH MIAMI FREEBEE ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are desirous of securing a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (“FDOT”) Public Transportation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami (“City”) requested a grant in the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$375,000.00) with a required 50% match in the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$375,000.00) for a total project cost in the amount of Seventy Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$750,000.00); and

WHEREAS, funds will be used toward the expansion of the City’s on-demand transit service, Freebee, which utilizes four Tesla Model Y vehicles; and

WHEREAS, to further enhance mobility and accessibility for residents and visitors, the grant funding will support the expansion of the service fleet by adding up to two (2) additional vehicles, including an ADA-compliant van; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wish to ratify the submittal of a grant application as well as to fully authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement for grant funds between the City and the Florida Department of Transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ratification of Submittal of Application. The Mayor and City Council hereby ratify the submittal of the City of North Miami’s application for a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation in support of the City’s Freebee on-demand transit service.

Section 2. **Authority to Interim City Manager and City Attorney.** The Interim City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of North Miami, Florida, and the Florida Department of Transportation to obtain grant funds.


Section 3. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 4 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 22nd day of October, 2024.



ALIX DESULME, ED.D.
MAYOR

ATTEST:



VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Charles

Seconded by: Galvin

Vote:

Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

Vice-Mayor Mary Estimé-Irvin

Councilman Scott Galvin

Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA

Councilman Pierre Frantz Charles, M.Ed.

_____	(Yes)	_____	(No)	Absent
<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)	
<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)	
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