

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-188

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA,
AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER AND
CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN
AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI
AND BEEFREE, LLC D/B/A FREEBEE, THEREBY
EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE
AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR
TERM AND EXPANDING THE SERVICES PROVIDED TO
THE CITY BY ADDING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL VEHICLES,
THEREBY INCREASING THE TOTAL TO SIX (6)
FREEBEE VEHICLES IN SERVICE, FOR A TOTAL
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY
THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000.00); PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2023, the City of North Miami (“City”) adopted Resolution No. 2023-R-36 which authorized the execution of an agreement with BEEFREE, LLC d/b/a FREEBEE (“FREEBEE”) to establish a pilot program to provide on-demand transportation services to residents, visitors, and businesses within the City’s municipal limits, for the purpose of supplementing the City’s fixed-route public transportation service; and

WHEREAS, under this program FREEBEE currently operates four (4) Tesla Model Y vehicles for riders within the City limits; and

WHEREAS, the City is desirous of exercising its first option to renew the Professional Services Agreement for an additional one (1) year term, and to amend the scope of services to expand the services provided by adding two (2) additional vehicles for the first renewal year; and

WHEREAS, the additional vehicles will increase the total number of vehicles in service to six (6) vehicles and FREEBEE’s services will be provided for an annual cost not to exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the City has applied for and received a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation’s Transit Service Development Program in the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in support of the City’s expansion of on-demand transportation services provided by FREEBEE; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that entering into an Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with FREEBEE to exercise its first renewal option and to expand on-demand transportation services is in the best interest of the City.

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

Section 1. Authority of Interim City Manager and City Attorney. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the Interim City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate and execute an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement between the City of North Miami and FreeBee, LLC d/b/a FREEBEE, thereby exercising the First Option to Renew the Agreement for an additional one (1) year term and expanding the services provided to the City by adding two (2) additional vehicles, thereby increasing the total to six (6) FREEBEE vehicles in service, for a total amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$750,000.00).

Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 26th day of November, 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: Estime-Irvin

Seconded by: Galvin

Vote:

Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

X (Yes) _____ (No)

Vice-Mayor Mary Estimé-Irvin

X (Yes) _____ (No)

Councilman Scott Galvin

X (Yes) _____ (No)

Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA

X (Yes) _____ (No)

Councilman Pierre Frantz Charles, M.Ed.

X (Yes) _____ (No)