



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Chris Walton

Department: Transportation

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO APPROVE Fourth Amendment to the Agreement with Super Nice STS d/b/a Transportation America, for the provision of Paratransit Transportation Services, Request for Proposals (RFP) No. C1231306P1, increasing compensation rates and increasing the contract threshold by \$2,414,400, to a not-to-exceed amount of \$97,643,700; and to authorize Mayor and Clerk to execute same.

Why Action is Necessary

In accordance with the Broward County Procurement Code, Section 21.94.a, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) is required to approve amendments to agreements exceeding the award authority of the Director of Purchasing.

What Action Accomplishes

Amends the agreement for the provision of Paratransit transportation services to increase the per trip rates to compensate Transportation America to meet the increase in the health care benefit amount of at least \$3.44 required by the Living Wage Ordinance and for providing all Paratransit Transportation Services for the County from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Increases the contract threshold by \$2,414,400, to a not-to-exceed amount of \$97,643,700.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

February 3, 2015, Item No. 16

January 29, 2019, Item No. 41

June 16, 2020, Item No. 59

Summary Explanation/Background

THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THIS ITEM.

This action supports the Board's Value of "Cooperatively delivering an efficient an accessible regional intermodal transportation network."

On February 3, 2015 (Item No. 16), the Board awarded an open-end contract to Super Nice STS dba Transportation America (Transportation America) for the provision of Paratransit Transportation

Services, Request for Proposal (RFP) No. C1231306P1, in the five-year estimated amount of \$34,292,394, through December 31, 2019, and authorized the Director of Purchasing to renew the Agreement for up to two additional one-year periods.

On January 29, 2019 (Item No. 41), the Board approved a threshold increase in the estimated amount of \$15,600,000, from the current total base contract threshold of \$34,292,394 to \$49,892,394, due to an increase in the number of trips exceeding the original estimates and authorized the County Administrator to execute an amendment to the agreement, approved as to legal sufficiency by the County Attorney's Office to increase the not-to-exceed amount of the agreement by \$15,600,000 to a total estimated amount of \$49,128,232.

Additionally, on December 11, 2018 (Item No. 18), the Board amended the Living Wage Ordinance to increase the hourly wage for all covered employees to \$13.27 per hour with health care benefits, and \$13.27 per hour plus an additional \$1.63 per hour without health care benefits (the higher living wage amount). The amended ordinance applied to all new contracts, renewals, amendments, or extensions effective January 1, 2019. On February 26, 2019, (Item No. 43), the Board amended the Living Wage Ordinance to increase the health care benefit to at least \$3.44 per hour, effective January 1, 2020. A second amendment to this agreement was executed in April 2019 implementing the increase in salary requirement of the living wage ordinances and modifying the passenger trip pricing by \$0.91, which increased the not-to-exceed threshold amount of the contract to \$50,179,300.

On June 16, 2020, (Item No. 59), the Board approved the Third Amendment to the Agreement to cover the costs associated with Transportation America assuming the responsibility for providing all Paratransit Transportation Services after the other service provider opted not to renew its agreement with the County. This action increased the contract threshold to a not-to-exceed amount of \$95,229,300.

Through this fourth amendment, retroactive to January 1, 2021, the passenger trip rate will increase by 14.48% from the current rate to cover the health care benefit increase effective January 1, 2021. As a result, the overall contract threshold with Transportation America will increase by \$2,414,400, from \$95,229,300 to \$97,643,700. This threshold increase is needed to continue Paratransit Transportation Services at the amended rates through December 31, 2021, which is the end of the renewal contract.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

All expenses for this action through September 30, 2021, are budgeted within the Transit Division's Fiscal Year 2021 operating funds. Funding for the period October 1, 2021-December 31, 2021, will be appropriated through the FY2022 Budget Process, and will include Transportation Surtax revenues, consistent with the Transportation Surtax Financial Plan, and subject to approvals by the Board and the Transportation Surtax Oversight Board.