

# Memorandum



**Date:** November 15, 2011

**To:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor 

**Subject:** Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County application for a transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate of Transportation No. 30303

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(7)

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier (PMC) Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 from Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. to Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County.

## **SCOPE**

This PMC Certificate of Transportation is countywide, allowing the certificate holder to operate in unincorporated and incorporated areas of Miami-Dade County.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE**

Licensing, operating permit and inspection fees are collected by the Consumer Services Department (CSD) to support regulatory activities. There is an annual regulatory fee of \$625 per certificate and \$625 per vehicle that will yield \$1,250 in revenue annually if the company operates only one (1) vehicle. PMC certificate holders can operate an unlimited number of vehicles under the certificate. Vehicle inspections are \$38 per vehicle.

## **TRACK RECORD/MONITOR**

Applicant is a new permit holder. There is no enforcement history. The Consumer Services Department (CSD) will be responsible for monitoring this company.

## **BACKGROUND**

On February 17, 1981, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 81-17, subsequently amended by Ordinance 85-20 on April 16, 1985, which regulates the passenger motor carrier industry in Miami-Dade County under Chapter 31 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Section 31-103 (m) of the Code provides the procedures to be followed by Miami-Dade County in processing transfer applications. No certificate may be sold, assigned or transferred to another until the proposed sale, assignment, or transfer has been approved by the Board. In considering the proposed transfer of ownership or control of the certificate, the Board shall determine whether or not said transfer is contrary to the public interest, upon evidence submitted at the public hearing. The Board may approve or refuse to approve said transfer upon such terms and conditions or may reasonably alter, restrict or modify the terms and provisions of such transfer if in the public's interest.

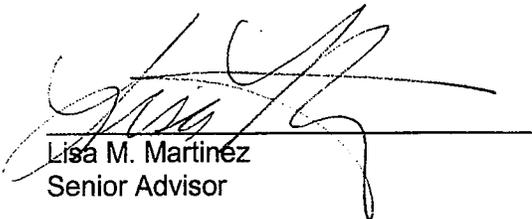
Patrick's Transportation System, Inc., Inc. has filed an application to transfer PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 to Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County. Transferred on September 10, 2010, via Resolution R-867-10 (Attachment A), to Patrick's Transportation System Inc., PMC No. 30303 authorizes special operations service. This class of service is defined as transportation of persons in a

motor vehicle to a common destination or series of common destinations where the person may be charged as an individual or as part of a group, including but not limited to charter, sightseeing, or subscription service, not between fixed terminals or on a regular route.

The company is required to adhere to the terms of the resolution, which approved the certificate. Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County, located at 2050 Coral Way, Suite 402, Miami, Florida 33145, seeks to continue providing this class of service by transporting resident and tourist groups to and from various locations throughout Miami-Dade County 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Transportation is required to be pre-arranged at least 24-hours prior to service, using chauffeur driven vehicles with a seating capacity of nine or more, but less than 28 passengers, excluding the driver. The proposed rates are listed on the attached rate schedule (Attachment B).

The management plan submitted by Mr. Leonardo Ledain, President of Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County, includes maintenance, communication, and record keeping systems and meets the requirements of the Code. All required financial statements and credit references have been submitted and the proposed service standards adequately meet passenger transportation and comfort needs. A background investigation reveals no criminal conviction for the applicant or any corporate officers within five years of the date of the application.

As required by the Code, the applicant has provided disclosure of the terms and conditions regarding the transfer of the certificate. A Sales Agreement (Attachment C) between Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County and Patrick's Transportation System, Inc., establishes the acquisition by Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County of PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 for a total price of \$15,000.00.



Lisa M. Martinez  
Senior Advisor



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** November 15, 2011

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(N) (7)

**Please note any items checked.**

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- Budget required**
- Statement of fiscal impact required**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous\_\_\_\_) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(7)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

11-15-11

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 30303 FROM PATRICK'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, INC. TO TRAVEL LYNX, INC. OF BREVARD COUNTY TO PROVIDE SPECIAL OPERATIONS SERVICE AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that in accordance with Chapter 31 of the Code, the transfer of Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 to Travel Lynx, Inc. of Brevard County to provide special operations service is approved. This class of transportation is defined as transportation of persons in a motor vehicle to a common destination or series of common destinations where the person may be charged as an individual or as part of a group, including but not limited to charter, sightseeing, or subscription service, not between fixed terminals or on a regular route.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Joe A. Martinez, Chairman           |                      |
| Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman |                      |
| Bruno A. Barreiro                   | Lynda Bell           |
| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.                | Jose "Pepe" Diaz     |
| Sally A. Heyman                     | Barbara J. Jordan    |
| Jean Monestime                      | Dennis C. Moss       |
| Rebeca Sosa                         | Sen. Javier D. Souto |
| Xavier L. Suarez                    |                      |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 15th day of November, 2011. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

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# ATTACHMENT A

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)(B)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

9-10-10

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. R-867-10

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 30303 FROM CORPORATE CONNECTION LINES, INC. TO PATRICK'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, INC. TO PROVIDE SPECIAL OPERATIONS SERVICE AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that in accordance with Chapter 31 of the Code, the transfer of Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 to Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. to provide special operations service is approved. This class of service is defined as transportation of persons in a motor vehicle to a common destination or series of common destinations where the person may be charged as an individual or as part of a group, including but not limited to charter, sightseeing, or subscription service, not between fixed terminals or on a regular route.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Dorrin D. Rolle** who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	aye		
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	aye		
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas	aye
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **DIANE COLLINS**  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

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Date: September 10, 2010

To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess  
County Manager

Subject: Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. application for a transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier  
Certificate of Transportation No. 30303

Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)(B)

Resolution No. R-867-10

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier (PMC) Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 from Corporate Connection Lines, Inc. to Patrick Transportation System, Inc.

**SCOPE**

This PMC Certificate of Transportation is countywide, allowing the certificate holder to operate in unincorporated and incorporated areas of Miami-Dade County.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE**

There is no fiscal impact to the County.

**TRACK RECORD/MONITOR**

Applicant is a new service provider. There is no enforcement history. The Consumer Services Department (CSD) will be responsible for monitoring this company.

**BACKGROUND**

On February 17, 1981, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 81-17, subsequently amended by Ordinance 85-20 on April 16, 1985, which regulates the passenger motor carrier industry in Miami-Dade County under Chapter 31 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Section 31-103 (m) of the Code provides the procedures to be followed by Miami-Dade County in processing transfer applications. No certificate may be sold, assigned or transferred to another until the proposed sale, assignment, or transfer has been approved by the Board. In considering the proposed transfer of ownership or control of the certificate, the Board shall determine whether or not said transfer is contrary to the public interest, upon evidence submitted at the July 13, 2010 Government Operations Committee (GOC) meeting (Attachment A). The Board may approve or refuse to approve said transfer upon such terms and conditions or may reasonably alter, restrict or modify the terms and provisions of such transfer if in the public's interest.

Corporate Connection Lines, Inc. has filed an application to transfer PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 to Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. Originally issued on April 27, 1999 via Resolution R-402-99 (Attachment B) PMC No. 30303 authorizes special operations services. This class is defined as transportation of persons in a motor vehicle to a common destination or series of common destinations where the person may be charged as an individual or as part of a group, including but not limited to charter, sightseeing, or subscription service, not between fixed terminals or on a regular route.

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and Members, Board of County Commissioners  
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The company is required to adhere to the terms of the resolution, which approved the initial certificate (R-402-99). Patrick's Transportation System, Inc., located at 821 NE 71 Street, Miami, Florida 33138, seeks to continue providing this class of service by transporting resident and tourist groups to and from various locations throughout Miami-Dade County 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Transportation is required to be pre-arranged at least 24-hours prior to service, using chauffeur driven vehicles with a seating capacity of nine or more, but less than 28 passengers, excluding the driver. The proposed rates are \$70 per hour, with a 4-hour minimum rate.

The management plan submitted by Ms. Catherine Patrick, President of Patrick's Transportation System, Inc., includes maintenance, communication, and record keeping systems and meets the requirements of the Code. All required financial statements and credit references have been submitted and the proposed service standards adequately meet passenger transportation and comfort needs. A background investigation reveals no criminal conviction for the applicant or any corporate officers within five years of the date of the application.

As required by the Code, the applicant has provided disclosure of the terms and conditions regarding the transfer of the certificate. A Sales Agreement (Attachment C) between Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. and Corporate Connection Lines, Inc. establishes the acquisition by Patrick's Transportation System, Inc. of PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30303 for a total price of \$5,000.00.

  
Assistant County Manager

**ATTACHMENT B**

**Rates**  
**HOURLY RATES:**

VAN: \$70/HR - 4HR MINIMUM

**ADDITIONAL RATES**

**AIRPORT FEES** : \$6.00  
**SEAPORT PICKUPS** : \$12.00

- \*PLEASE ADD A 14% STC CHARGE
- \*OTHER FEES APPLY (SEE BELOW\*\*)
- \*SPECIAL DAILY RATES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
- \*RATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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Bill Of Sale

01/10/2011

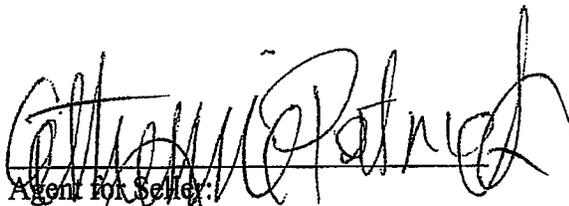
**Seller:** Patrick Transportation System INC  
99 NW 183<sup>RD</sup> Street. Suite 201  
Miami, FL 33169

Agrees to sell: Miami Dade County Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate (PMC);

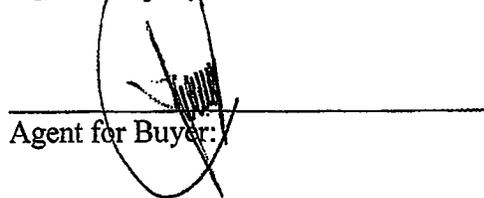
1- Certificate No. 30303

**Total Sale Price: \$ 15,000.00**

**Purchaser:** Travel Lynx Inc of Brevard County  
2050 Coral Way.  
Suite 402  
Miami, FL 33145

  
Agent for Seller:

1/10/2011  
Date

  
Agent for Buyer:

1/10/2011  
Date

must be made available for inspection and copying within one (1) business day of such request by the CSD or any police agency during regular business hours and shall be retained for one (1) year;

- (5) Shall maintain a log of all customer complaints;
- (6) Shall maintain quarterly vehicle accident records for all vehicles operated in the prior quarter;
- (7) Shall not refuse to dispatch or neglect to dispatch a request to transport to or from any place in the county, any orderly person requesting service;
- (8) Shall hold any personal property deposited in the lost and found facility for a period of six (6) months, at the end of which time the personal property shall become the property of the finder. A record of personal property reported to or deposited at the lost and found facility shall be kept for at least one (1) year; and
- (9) Shall comply with all applicable obligations of the for-hire license holder when acting as his, her or its agent.

(1) *Responsibility for violations of chapter.* The holder of a passenger service company registration or any person providing passenger services directly shall be responsible for any violation of this chapter involving passenger services and shall be subject to the penalties provided for in this chapter for any such violation. In addition, the registration shall be subject to suspension or revocation for any such violation. Charges against or penalties imposed on a for-hire license holder or for-hire chauffeur for the same or related offense shall not relieve the passenger service company of its responsibilities or liabilities under this chapter. Violations shall be punishable as provided in this chapter.

(Ord. No. 98-105, § 1, 7-9-98; Ord. No. 01-178, § 1, 11-6-01; Ord. No. 03-45, § 1, 3-11-03)

**ARTICLE III. PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIERS\***

**Sec. 31-101. Transportation policy.**

To assure the development and maintenance of a safe, healthy and efficient passenger transportation system for Miami-Dade County, the Commission, County Manager and County staff, in carrying out the duties and responsibilities prescribed in this article, shall consider the following as being in the public interest:

- (1) Reliance on market forces and on actual and potential competition among all transportation modes, so as to provide transportation services at competitive prices.
- (2) Coordination of regulatory decision-making with the transportation improvement plan, and the orderly development of an integrated transportation/transit system for Miami-Dade County so as to ensure the development and maintenance of a transportation/transit system responsive to the needs of the public, in which regulatory decisions are reached fairly and expeditiously, and with consideration of their costs and benefits.
- (3) Improvement of motor vehicle safety.
- (4) Achievement of County, national and State energy conservation goals.
- (5) Reduced concentration of market power, and prevention of unfair, deceptive, predatory or anticompetitive practices.
- (6) Reduction of restrictive regulatory barriers to entry into the industry and promotion of equal opportunities.
- (7) Promotion of the safety and welfare of the residents and visitors of Miami-Dade County who use the services of passenger motor carriers to meet their transportation needs.

\*Editor's note—Ord. No. 81-17, adopted Feb. 17, 1981, did not specify manner of codification; therefore, inclusion of §§ 2-16 as Art. III, §§ 31-101-31-115, has been at the editor's discretion.

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