Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: October 1, 2013

To: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 8(F)(4)

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor

Subject: Recommendation to Reject all Proposals Received: Fixed Bus Routes for Miami-Dade Transit

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the rejection of all proposals received under *Request for Proposals (RFP) 825, Fixed Bus Routes for Miami-Dade Transit* (MDT). This solicitation was issued to replace the current contract that provides transportation services on two fixed bus routes. The proposals received in response to the solicitation were evaluated and negotiations were held with the highest-ranked firm. Prior to an award recommendation, the fiscal impact to the County for these services was reviewed. It was noted that proposers' prices for these services ranged considerably from about $9 million to over $16 million for the initial five-year term of the contract.

We will be developing a new solicitation document that will establish minimum qualifications that must be met before bidders can participate. It is anticipated that this process will allow for the selection of a vendor that can provide bus transportation services that meet the County's standards for quality (including consistency of the route schedules) and passenger safety, yet focus on price competition to minimize the cost to the County.

The current contract expires on November 30, 2013. We are taking the necessary steps to expedite this solicitation. However, due to the bidding time required for the new solicitation, upon approval of this rejection item, a modification to extend the existing contract will be submitted to the Board to allow sufficient time to re-solicit the replacement contract.

Scope

The impact of this item would have been countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The fiscal impact of the initial five-year contract term was estimated at approximately $11,000,000, depending upon the cost of the services. The allocation was as follows:

Department	Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
Transit	$11,000,000	MDT Operating	Joel Perez

Track Record/Monitor

The contract manager for the Department is listed in the table above. Rita Silva of the Internal Services Department is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Vendors Not Recommended for Award

An RFP was issued under full and open competition on September 4, 2012, and award would have been to one vendor to provide the fixed bus routes.

Proposer(s)	Reason for Not Recommending
A Ray Land Productions Company dba Fabulous Coach Lines	Rejection of all proposals
Evergreen Trails, Inc. d/b/a Horizon Coach Lines	
JGT Transportation, Inc. (DBE; Micro/SBE)	
Maruti Fleet and Management, LLC	
Safeguard America, Inc. dba America's Transportation.com (SBE; DBE; LDB)	
Transportation America, Inc.	

Applicable Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program was applicable.
- The Small Business Enterprise Bid Preference and Local Preference were included in the solicitation.
- The Living Wage Ordinance was applicable.

Background

The services are currently provided as part of a contract that provides for multiple types of bus transportation services: fixed bus routes, semi-fixed bus routes, and group travel. The semi-fixed bus routes under the contract are no longer needed. The group travel services are being combined into a consolidated contract with similar services. This solicitation was issued to replace the portion of the contract that provides two fixed bus routes. The Card Sound Express route runs between Florida City City Hall and the Ocean Reef Club. The Dade Monroe Express route runs between Florida City and Marathon.

Alina T. Hudak
Deputy Mayor

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 1, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(F)(4)

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 Mayor'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
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF ALL PROPOSALS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO RFP 825 FOR FIXED BUS ROUTE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

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 this Board approves the rejection of all proposals received in response to Request for Proposals No. 825 for fixed bus route transportation services.

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:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman
Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of October, 2013. 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.
Bruce Libhaber