

Date:	November 12, 2020				
To:	Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Members, Board of County Commissioners	Agenda Item No. 8(N)(3) (11-19-20)			
From:	Carlos A. Gimenez Mayor				
Subject:	Resolution Authorizing the Approval of the Application of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity	of Creative Transport, Inc. for Four			

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the application of Creative Transport, Inc. for four Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate four non-emergency vehicles.

#### **Scope**

These Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity are countywide, allowing the certificate holder to operate in the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Miami-Dade County.

### Fiscal Impact

Licensing, operating, permit and inspection fees are collected by the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) to support regulatory activities. There is an annual regulatory fee of \$625 per certificate that will yield \$2,500 in revenue annually for the new certificates. The County also collects \$38 per vehicle inspection; with inspection frequency varying with the vehicle age from one to four per year.

# **Track Record/Monitor**

This applicant will be a new certificate holder upon approval and complies with all requirements of the Code of Miami-Dade County. DTPW, through its Passenger Transportation Regulatory Division, will be responsible for monitoring this company.

#### Background

On December 18, 1980, the Board adopted Ordinance 80-145, later codified in Chapter 4, Article III of the Code of Miami-Dade County (Code), providing for the regulation of non-emergency medical transportation. Section 4-44 of the Code provides the procedures to be followed by the County in processing certificate applications. Based upon those requirements, the Board may issue or refuse to issue the certificate as applied for, may issue the certificate with modifications or upon such terms and conditions as in its judgment the public interest may require. In reaching a determination, the Board shall consider the application, the Mayor's recommendation, all matters presented during the public hearing, and among others, the following criteria:

- (1) The ability of the applicant to provide the proposed service;
- (2) The adequacy of the management plan of the applicant; and
- (3) The benefits that will accrue to the public interest from the proposed service.

Creative Transport, Inc., located at 3881 NW 151 Street # 217, Miami Lakes, Florida 33014, seeks to obtain three Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide sedan non-emergency medical

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transportation service and one Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide wheelchair nonemergency medical transportation to individuals requiring these types of transportation.

The applicant seeks to transport patients to and from various medical facilities throughout the County seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Non-emergency transportation rates are not regulated by the County. However, under the Code, the Certificate Holder must file their rates with DTPW and post them within the passenger compartment section of each vehicle. The proposed rate schedule is attached. The vehicles operated under these certificates will have to meet the requirements of Section 4-49 of the County Code, establishing vehicle inspection frequencies.

The management plan submitted by Ms. Christina Marquez, President of Creative Transport, Inc., includes maintenance, communication, and recordkeeping systems which meet the requirements of the County Code. All required financial statements and credit references have been submitted. The proposed service standards meet all requirements of the County Code, and adequately meet transportation and comfort needs. A background investigation revealed that all officers of the corporation meet the criteria established in the Code.

The proposed service to be provided under these certificates will increase the availability of licensed nonemergency medical transportation in the County, thus increasing competition and high service standards to the public.

Jennifer Moon Deputy Mayor



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: November 19, 2020

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan Successor County Attorney SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(N)(3)

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
	Statement of social equity required
4	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 present, 2/3 membership, 3/5's, unanimous, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c), CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c), or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2)) to approve
	Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved		Mayor	
Veto			
Override			

# **RESOLUTION NO.**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR FOUR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CREATIVE TRANSPORT, INC. TO PROVIDE SEDAN AND WHEELCHAIR NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL 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 application by Creative Transport, Inc. for three Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate three non-emergency vehicles to provide sedan non-emergency medical transportation service and one Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate one non-emergency vehicle to provide wheelchair non-emergency medical transportation service in Miami-Dade County.

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, Vice Chairwoman				
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sen. René García			
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	Keon Hardemon			
Sally A. Heyman	Eileen Higgins			
Joe A. Martinez	Kionne L. McGhee			
Jean Monestime	Raquel A. Regalado			
Sen. Javier D. Souto	District 8 - Vacant			

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The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the 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.



Gerald K. Sanchez

# Creative Transport inc.

786-691-7790

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One-Way Trip: \$25.00 Round Trip: \$35.00

Wheelchair Trip: \$50.00