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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: June 3, 2008

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barriero
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

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

Resolution No. R-654-08

Subject: Rejection of all Proposals received for RFP 8410-3/14: Functional Assessment for ADA Paratransit Eligibility

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the rejection of the sole proposal received for the referenced solicitation to provide evaluation services and paratransit eligibility evaluations for persons with physical, cognitive, sensory and other disabilities, to determine if they are functionally able to use the fixed-route bus system, either permanently, temporarily or under certain conditions pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

CONTRACT NO:	RFP 8410-3/14
CONTRACT TITLE:	Functional Assessment for ADA Paratransit Eligibility
DESCRIPTION:	ADA paratransit eligibility evaluations for persons with disabilities.
PROJECT MANAGER:	Rita Kane, Miami-Dade Transit
APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE:	July 9, 2007
TERM:	Three years with three, one year options-to-renew
CONTRACT AMOUNT:	$10,000,000 for the initial three year term
FUNDING SOURCE:	Operating revenue and PTP
METHOD OF AWARD:	To the highest ranked proposer
VENDORS RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD:	None – recommendation is to reject all proposals.
VENDORS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD:	ADARIDE.COM (Non-local vendor) 501 Herondo Street #35 Hermosa Beach, CA 90254
USING/MANAGING AGENCY:	Miami-Dade Transit
CONTRACT MEASURES:	The Small Business Enterprise (SBE) selection factor applies to this RFP.
LIVING WAGE:	The services being provided are not covered under the Living Wage Ordinance.

USER ACCESS PROGRAM:	This Request for Proposals includes the User Access Program provision. The 2% program discount will be collected on all purchases.
LOCAL PREFERENCE:	Applied in accordance with the Ordinance.
ESTIMATED CONTRACT COMMENCEMENT DATE:	Not Applicable

BACKGROUND

Paratransit eligibility evaluations as mentioned above, and sought through this solicitation, are currently being performed in-house by MDT personnel, and documented by medical evaluations provided by the applicant.

This solicitation was issued as a Request for Proposals under full and open competition on July 9, 2007. One proposal was received on September 7, 2007 from ADARIDE.COM. Market research was conducted and revealed that prices from the sole proposer were higher for comparative services. Further, evaluation services in the market are currently conducted through in-person assessments in order to provide a thorough physical, cognitive and sensory evaluation.

Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) desires an in-person assessment team to perform eligibility assessment services. However, the sole proposal from ADARIDE.COM included a web-based component as part of its functional assessment model. MDT believes that the online component would limit access to the full assessment services needed. This approach would likely create a hardship for seniors and disabled persons in Miami-Dade County. The web-based component is not consistent with MDT's goal of making the in-person functional assessment the key determining factor for Special Transportation Services eligibility, or the practice of issuing picture identification to MDT passengers.

The County is exploring options for providing eligibility services. The County may be able to access a contract being used by another governmental agency. The Department of Procurement Management is reviewing the contract used by Broward County and the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority, while working with Transit to develop requirements that may be used if a new solicitation is needed.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 3, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(O)(1)(C)

Please note any items checked.

_____ **"4-Day Rule" ("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**

_____ **Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)**

_____ **No committee review**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(O)(1)(C)
6-3-08

RESOLUTION NO. **R-654-08**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP NO. 8410-3/14 FOR FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT FOR ADA PARATRANSIT ELIGIBILITY

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 proposals received for Request for Proposals No. 8410-3/14 for Functional Assessment for ADA Paratransit Eligibility.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Carlos A. Gimenez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman **aye**
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman **aye**

Jose "Pepe" Diaz	**aye**	Audrey M. Edmonson	**absent**
Carlos A. Gimenez	**aye**	Sally A. Heyman	**aye**
Joe A. Martinez	**aye**	Dennis C. Moss	**aye**
Dorrin D. Rolle	**absent**	Natacha Seijas	**absent**
Katy Sorenson	**aye**	Rebeca Sosa	**absent**
Sen. Javier D. Souto	**aye**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of June, 2008. 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: **Kay Sullivan**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Bruce Libhaber