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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: September 10, 2010

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

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Resolution No. R-866-10

Subject: Miami Sunny, Inc. application for a transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate of Transportation No. 30275

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Passenger Motor Carrier (PMC) Certificate of Transportation No. 30275 from Van Go! Transportation, Inc. to Miami Sunny, 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.

Van Go! Transportation, Inc. has filed an application to transfer PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30275 to Miami Sunny, Inc. Originally issued on June 2, 1998 via Resolution R-601-98 (Attachment B) PMC No. 30275 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.

The company is required to adhere to the terms of the resolution, which approved the initial certificate (R-601-98). Miami Sunny, Inc., located at 16810 NE 1 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33162, 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 C).

The management plan submitted by Ms. Lili Zheng, President of Miami Sunny, 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 D) between Miami Sunny, Inc. and Van Go! Transportation, Inc. establishes the acquisition by Miami Sunny, Inc. of PMC Certificate of Transportation No. 30275 for a total price of $17,500.

Assistant County Manager

ATTACHMENT A

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Miami-Dade County, Florida will meet on Tuesday, July 13, 2010, at approximately 9:30 a.m. in the County Commission Chambers, Second Floor, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW First Street, Miami, Florida to consider:

Resolution approving transfer of Certificate of Transportation No. 30275 to Miami Sunny, Inc. to provide special operations service as a passenger motor carrier

A person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Government Operations Committee of the Board of County Commissioners, with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, will need a record of the proceedings. Such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Approved _____ Mayor

Veto _____

Override _____

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ATTACHMENT B

RESOLUTION NO. R-601-98

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION TO VAN GO! TRANSPORTATION, 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, a Certificate of Transportation to provide special operations passenger motor carrier service to a common destination or series of common destinations in Miami-Dade County, as recommended by the County Manager, be issued to Van Go! Transportation, Inc.

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

Dr. Miriam Alonso	absent	Dr. Barbara M. Carey	aye
Miguel Diaz de la Portilla	aye	Betty T. Ferguson	absent
		Gwen Margolis	aye
Natacha Seijas Millan	absent	Jimmy L. Morales	aye
Dennis C. Moss	absent	Pedro Reboredo	absent
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Katy Sorenson	aye
Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of June, 1998. 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. GKS

MEMORANDUM Agenda Item No. 5(P)

TO: Honorable Chairperson and Members
Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 2, 1998

SUBJECT: Van Go! Transportation, Inc. application for a Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate (PMC Control No. 363)

FROM: M. R. Stierheim
County Manager

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the application of Van Go! Transportation, Inc. for a Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate of Transportation to provide pre-arranged special operations service.

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 Dade County under Chapter 31 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Section 31-103 of the Code provides the procedures to be followed by Miami-Dade County in processing certificate applications. Based on those requirements, a public hearing has been scheduled before the Board of County Commissioners. At the conclusion of the public hearing the Board may issue or refuse to issue the certificate, or issue the certificate with such modifications or upon such terms and conditions as in its judgment the public interest may require. In reaching its determination, the Board shall consider the application, the County Manager's report and recommendation, all matters presented at the public hearing, and among others, the following criteria:

(1) That the applicant is fit, willing and able in accordance with the requirements of this section, to provide the transportation to be authorized by this certificate and is able to comply with this article and regulations of the commission.

(2) That the transportation to be provided under the requested certificate is consistent with the public interest.

(3) That the proposed transportation service will improve the quality of transportation available to the public.

ANALYSIS

Van Go! Transportation, Inc., located at 2100 S. Ocean Drive, #17CD, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 33316, seeks to obtain a Passenger Motor Carrier Certificate of Transportation to provide pre-arranged special operations service transportation to passengers throughout all of Miami-Dade County. This class of service is defined as the transportation of persons 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 seeks to transport resident, and tourist groups to and from various locations throughout Miami-Dade County. Transportation will be pre-arranged on a 24-hour minimum basis. These services will be provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 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.

The management plan submitted by Mr. Charles P. Feldman, President of Van Go! Transportation, 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.

In accordance with Section 31-103(e) of the Code, a 20-day notice of application was provided to all affected municipalities within Miami-Dade County, all passenger motor carrier certificate holders and interested parties. No protests were filed.

DIRECTIVES

No directives were received.

ATTACHMENT C

Rates and Fare Schedule
Miami Sunny, Inc.
Hours of operations

Our office hours are from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and a 24 hour dispatch service personnel available.

Rates:

Hourly rate $50.00 plus a 15% tip for the drivers.
Airport fees and seaport fees, when required will be charge to customer as well parking fees.

Transfer:

All transfers from point A to point B
$80.00 plus a 15% tip for drivers.

As directed:

3 hours minimum on any as directed.
$140.00 plus 15% tip for drivers and a $50.00 charge per each additional hour.

City tour:

Our city tours will be a 12 hour tours to the most interesting parts of the city.
$580.00 plus 15% tip for driver.

Key West Tours:
Our Key West tours will be a 12 hour tour into the most interesting sites and attractions on the city of Key West.
$680.00 plus 15% tip for driver.

ATTACHMENT D

Bill of Sale

Van go! Transportation. Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
(954) 557- 7772

To Whom It May Concern:

I Charlie Feldman am selling my Miami-Dade County Certificate of Transportation #30275, on this day of September 24, 2009 to Miami Sunny, Inc / Lili Zheng. (16810 NE 1st Ave. Miami, FL, 33162. Tel: (305) 655-9989.)

(Sale amount $ 17500.00)

Seller: Mr. Charlie Feldman

Charlie Feldman

Buyer: Mrs. Lili Zheng

Lily zheng

Witness: Mr. Mickey A. Bernal

786-346-5268

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.

(l) *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.

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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

DATE: September 10, 2010

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

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

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
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)(A)
9-10-10

RESOLUTION NO. R-866-10

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 30275 FROM VAN GO! TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO MIAMI SUNNY, 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. 30275 to Miami Sunny, 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 10th 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