Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: November 9, 2026

ASC
Agenda Item No. 3(C)

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

Subject: Recommendation to Award a Contract for International Waste Hauling & Disposal for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department

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Executive Summary

This item is for the purchase of international regulated waste hauling and disposal services for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD). The contract provides for the hauling, cartage, and disposal of food waste and certain plant and animal materials removed from international aircraft. These materials are classified as regulated garbage by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ).

The contract is essential to maintaining compliance with applicable federal, state, and local requirements, including protocols established by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and other authorized regulatory personnel governing the handling of regulated garbage at U.S. ports of entry. The awarded vendor will provide all labor, supervision, materials, supplies, tools, equipment, permits and any other resources necessary to perform these services and adhere to the prescribed methods, conditions, and procedures for handling and disposing of regulated garbage. MDAD estimates that its aviation facilities may generate more than 20 million pounds of regulated garbage annually. While the Department of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) is preparing to transition contracted garbage collection and disposal services for County departments in-house by June 2028, these services are strictly regulated, and this waste cannot be landfilled, hence the services cannot be performed by DSWM.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve a competitive contract award, *Contract No. EVN0032022, International Waste Hauling & Disposal for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department*, to Wasteline Solutions, Inc. in the amount of $23,315,000 for a five-year term. This contract will replace *Contract No. FB-01679*, which was approved by the Board via Resolution No. R-813-21.

Background

An Invitation to Bid was issued under full and open competition on June 30, 2026. Upon advertisement of the solicitation, 169 vendors were notified and invited via INFORMS. On the closing date of August 27, 2026, the County received three bids, including two from local firms. Award is being recommended to Wasteline Solutions, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

This contract ensures the continued safe and compliant removal, processing, and disposal of regulated garbage generated at Miami International Airport (MIA), Miami Executive Airport (TMB), and Miami-Opa Locka Executive Airport (OPF), in accordance with federal, state, and local requirements and regulations. Food waste and certain plant and animal materials arrive daily at the County's aviation facilities and must be disposed of through approved incineration or sterilization methods. Applicable federal, state, and local regulations require vendors performing these services to maintain compliance agreements issued by USDA, APHIS, and CBP. Routine hauling and disposal services will be provided Monday through Saturday at all MIA locations. The contract also provides for unscheduled pickups seven days a week, which must be completed within 24 hours to support uninterrupted airport operations and continued regulatory compliance.

Scope

MIA is located within District 6, which is represented by Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis, OPF is in District 1, which is represented by Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III, and TMB is located in District 11,

which is represented by Commissioner Roberto J. Gonzalez. However, the impact of this item is countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The fiscal impact for the five-year term is $23,315,000, which includes a 5 percent contingency to offset future price increases, contemplated by the contract's terms and conditions, and to cover any future service adjustments. The current contract, valued at $15,136,265 for a five-year and six-month term, expires on July 17, 2027. Under the replacement contract, the unit price per pound at MIA will decrease by approximately 23 percent, from $0.28 to $0.215.

Notwithstanding the lower unit price, the replacement contract has a higher annualized allocation, primarily due to an approximately 72 percent increase in the estimated annual volume of regulated garbage requiring pickup and disposal at MIA, in correlation with continued growth in passenger activity. The estimated annual volume increased from 11,616,000 pounds under the current contract to 20,000,000 pounds under the replacement contract. The expenditure for this year was approved by the Board as part of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 County budget.

Department	Allocation	Funding Source	Budgeted*
MDAD	$23,315,000	Proprietary Funds	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget, Volume 2, Page 48, Contractual Services
Total	**$23,315,000**		

*The FY 2026-27 Adopted Budget Book was not finalized at the time this item was drafted. Therefore, the budget information above is based on the Proposed Budget Book.

Track Record/Monitor

Marie Williams of the Strategic Procurement Department (SPD) is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Delegated Authority

If this item is approved, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee will have the authority to give notice of this award to the recommended vendor, issue the appropriate purchase orders to give effect to same and exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation or extensions, pursuant to Section 3-1 of the County Code and Master Procurement Implementing Order 3-38.

Vendor Recommended for Award

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-477-18, the lowest bidder is recommended in accordance with the method of award per the solicitation and is non-local.

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Number of Employee Residents 1) Miami-Dade 2) Percentage*	Principal
Wasteline Solutions, Inc.	5101 NW 9th Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL	None	0 0%	Tina Goldstein

*Provided pursuant to Resolution No. R-1011-15. Percentage of employee residents is the percentage of vendor's employees who reside in Miami-Dade County as compared to the vendor's total workforce.

Vendors Not Recommended for Award

Vendor	Local Address	Reason for Not Recommending
Stericycle, Inc.	Yes	Higher than lowest bid
Waste Connections of Florida, Inc.	Yes	

Due Diligence

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with SPD's Procurement Guidelines to determine vendor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance and compliance issues through various vendor responsibility lists and a keyword internet search. The lists that were referenced included convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to vendor responsibility.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-140-15, prior to re-procurement, a full review of the scope of services was conducted prior to re-procurement to ensure that the replacement contract reflects the County's current operational requirements. The review included market research, publication of a draft solicitation for industry feedback, and meetings and drafting sessions with the user department. Based on this review and stakeholder input, the scope of services was updated to align with the County's actual operational needs, current industry practices, and anticipated service requirements under the replacement contract.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-252-25, efforts were made to identify any potential piggybacking opportunities prior to issuance of a competitive solicitation. No contracts were identified for accessing.

Applicability of Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program does not apply.
- The Small Business Enterprise Bid Preference and Local Preference applied where permitted by funding source.

Roy Coley
Deputy Mayor

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: October 28, 2026

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
Board of County Commissioners

From: Namita Uppal, C.P.M.
Director and Chief Procurement Officer
Strategic Procurement Department

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Subject: Request to Process Late Departmental Agenda Item

I am requesting that the below item be processed for placement on the November Committee Cycle:

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0032022, INTERNATIONAL WASTE HAULING & DISPOSAL FOR THE MIAMI-DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT, TO WASTELINE SOLUTIONS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $23,315,000 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE NOTICE OF THIS AWARD TO THE RECOMMENDED VENDOR, ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE ORDERS TO GIVE EFFECT TO SAME AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND MASTER PROCUREMENT IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

Although this item has not met the noticed deadline and has been provided to the Agenda Coordination Office late, this item is time-sensitive and critically important to MDAD to ensure continuity of services with transition to a new vendor. This contract is essential for the proper, safe, and federally compliant collection, disposal, processing, and cartage of regulated international garbage generated at Miami International Airport (MIA), Opa-Locka Executive Airport (OPF), and Miami Executive Airport (TMB). Regulated garbage from international aircraft must be managed under strict requirements issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to prevent the introduction of pests and diseases at U.S. ports of entry. MDAD facilities are estimated to generate more than 20,000,000 pounds of regulated garbage annually for the new contract term, and uninterrupted service is required to maintain environmental and biosecurity compliance and protect MDAD from federal enforcement actions. Approval of the item at the November Committee Cycle is requested to expeditiously award the replacement contract and to ensure there is no interruption in services that could jeopardize MDAD's status as a secure and compliant international gateway.

Therefore, please process the item notwithstanding that the 3-day rule may be applicable to it. I am aware that this item is subject to approval for placement on the agenda by the appropriate committee chairperson as well as the BCC Chairperson, and review by the Office of the County Attorney.

Roy Coley

Approved by Mayor or Mayor's Designee

Roy Coley
Print Name

Approved by Legislative Director or Designee

Demetria Henderson
Print Name

c: Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney
CAOagenda@miamidade.gov
Eugene Love, Agenda Coordinator

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 20, 2027

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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**
_____	**Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**
_____	**No committee review**
_____	**Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) _____) 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.
Veto _____
Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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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:

Section 1. This Board approves award of Contract No. EVN0032022, International Waste Hauling & Disposal for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, to Wasteline Solutions, Inc. in the amount of $23,315,000.00 for a five-year term.

Section 2. This Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to give notice of this award to the recommended vendor, issue the appropriate purchase orders to give effect to same, and exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation or extensions, pursuant to section 3-1 of the County Code and Master Procurement Implementing Order 3-38. The contract document is on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

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:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman

Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of January, 2027. 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By:_____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

David M. Murray