

Date: June 16, 2026

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

From: Daniella Levine Cava 
Mayor

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(2)

Resolution No. R-540-26

Subject: Request for Additional Expenditure Authority to Contract for Towing Services

Executive Summary

This item is for additional expenditure authority for the purchase of towing services for the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) and the People and Internal Operations Department (PIOD). The additional allocation for these departments will provide continuity of towing services for County vehicles, including sedans, trucks, mobile equipment, and buses, while accounting for increased towing requests and increased costs since contract inception. This contract is necessary to ensure that County departments can efficiently transport County vehicles that are disabled due to breakdowns or accidents to County-owned fleet repair facilities or authorized service providers, so that the vehicles can be repaired and returned to service.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve additional expenditure authority in the amount of \$1,901,390 for *Contract No. FB-00446, Towing Services*, for DTPW and PIOD.

Background

This competitive contract was established by the Board via Resolution No. R-185-17 in the amount of \$12,214,000 for a five-year term with one, five-year option to renew. The contract was subsequently modified under delegated authority and is currently in the second term. The contract includes four groups: Group A – All County Departments (except Department of Transportation and Public Works “DTPW” Buses Only and Regulatory and Economic Resources “RER” Disposals) for all zones; Group B – DTPW Buses Only for all zones; Group C – RER Only for North and South Zones (North Zone; Areas 1-4 & South Zone; Areas 5-8); and Group D – Prequalification Pool to Quote Specialized Tows for all zones. County departments use this contract to purchase towing and tire roadside assistance services for County vehicles and equipment, as well as for the recovery, transportation and disposal of salvageable and non-salvageable abandoned property, vehicles, and boats.

Additional allocation is being requested to support departmental needs as follows:

- DTPW is requesting increased expenditure authority to support ongoing towing service needs for its current fleet operating out of the department’s three existing garages, where demand has remained steady and is anticipated to grow in parallel with overall system expansion. In addition, DTPW is requesting an increased allocation to support expanded transit operations associated with the launch of the South Corridor TransitWay and the planned November 2026 opening of the South Dade Transit Operations Center (SDTOC). The South Corridor is served by a growing fleet of articulated (60-foot), fully electric buses, significantly expanding the County’s transit footprint and service capacity. Since the launch of the South Corridor, DTPW has experienced increased utilization of towing services due to the operation of a larger and more specialized fleet. This trend is expected to continue and further increase with the opening of the SDTOC, which will house and maintain 100 articulated electric buses. Furthermore, articulated 60-foot buses require specialized towing equipment and handling, resulting in higher per-tow costs

compared to standard 40-foot buses. These higher costs are further compounded by contractually adjusted rates tied to the Consumer Price Index. Collectively, the demonstrated increase in demand, continued fleet expansion and inflationary cost pressures necessitate the requested increase in expenditure authority to ensure uninterrupted support services.

- PIOD is requesting additional expenditure of \$653,890 due to increases in the number of tows. The number of tows requested by the department has increased by an average of 16% each year. Additionally, prices for towing services have increased per tow by approximately 29% since 2022. The additional funds requested will ensure that PIOD will be able to maintain continuity of services through the expiration of the contract.

Scope

The impact of this item is countywide in nature.

Delegated Authority

For Groups A, B, and C, the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee will have the authority to exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation or extensions, pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.

For Group D, there is no additional delegation of authority sought in this item as the authority to solicit pricing and award contracts up to an aggregate amount of the allocation authorized by the Board, exercise all provisions of the solicitation documents and any resulting contracts pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38, and add vendors to the pool at any time, subject to ratification by the Board on a bi-annual basis, was granted when the pool was established. Any contract award under the prequalification pool exceeding \$5,000,000 is subject to ratification by the Board.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The contract expires on March 31, 2027 and has an existing cumulative allocation of \$14,656,800. If this request is approved, the contract will have a modified cumulative allocation of \$16,558,190. The requested increase in expenditure authority is based on historical usage and the anticipated needs due to the growing fleet, expansion of services, and increased pricing for the remainder term of the contract.

Department	Existing Cumulative Allocation	Additional Allocation Requested	Modified Cumulative Allocation	Funding Source	Budgeted	Contract Manager
DTPW	\$5,831,400	\$1,247,500	\$7,078,900	DTPW Operating	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget, Volume 2, Page 132, Contractual Services	Alonzo Joseph
PIOD	\$6,618,310	\$653,890	\$7,272,200	Internal Service Funds	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget, Volume 3, Page 339, Operating Expenditures, Contractual Services	Fernando Robreño
Multiple*	\$2,207,090	\$0	\$2,207,090	Multiple		Multiple
Total	\$14,656,800	\$1,901,390	\$16,558,190			

*Includes approximately \$24,000 for Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office.

Track Record/Monitor

Robert Mendoza of the Strategic Procurement Department (SPD) is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Awarded Vendors

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Principal
Alpine Towing, Inc	3500 NW 67 Street Miami, FL	Same	Larry Saravia
Dolphin Towing & Recovery, Inc	14710 W Dixie Highway North Miami, FL	Same	Roberto Nodarse
Downtown Towing Company	1451 NW 20 Street Miami, FL	Same	Timothy Del Rosal
Excalibur Towing Service Corp (SBE)	14294 SW 142 Avenue Miami, FL	Same	Ramon Crego Jr
Kauff's of Miami, Inc d/b/a Kauff's Towing	2435 Ali Baba Avenue Opa Locka, FL	Same	Francis Geoff Russell
Midtown Towing of Miami, Inc	15700 NW 7 Avenue Miami, FL	Same	Michael Tur
Roadway Inc d/b/a Roadway Towing & Recovery	6980 NW 53 Terrace Miami, FL	Same	Gustavo Lovato
Sunshine Towing, Inc	7070 SW 12 Street Miami, FL	Same	Alexis Ramos

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.

Applicability of Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program applies where permitted by funding source.
- The Small Business Enterprise Bid Preference and Local Preference was applied to the awarded groups and will be applied at the time of spot market quotation for the pool group where permitted by funding source.
- The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply.



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: June 16, 2026

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(P)(2)

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
Veto _____
Override _____

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6-16-26

RESOLUTION NO. R-540-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,901,390.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$16,558,190.00 FOR CONTRACT NO. FB-00446, TOWING SERVICES, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS AND PEOPLE AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

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 authorizes additional expenditure authority in the amount of \$1,901,390.00 for a total modified contract amount of \$16,558,190.00 for Contract No. FB-00446, Towing Services, for the Department of Transportation and Public Works and People and Internal Operations Department.

Section 2. This Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation or extensions, pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida and Implementing Order 3-38. A copy of the contract/pool documents is on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Vicki L. Lopez** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th day of June, 2026. 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: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Eduardo W. Gonzalez", written over a horizontal line.

Eduardo W. Gonzalez