RESOLUTION No. 25-110

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BEEFREE. LLC. D/B/A FREEBEE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, TO COINCIDE WITH THE FDOT GRANT PERIOD, TO PROVIDE FIRST AND LAST MILE DOOR-TO-DOOR ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE FOR CITY'S SENIOR CITIZENS UNDER THE CURRENT TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PRICING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETED FUNDS: AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT AND TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY: PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; **PROVIDING** INCORPORATION OF RECITALS: AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Doral's (the "City") Public Works Department ("PWD") is continuously exploring ways to provide alternative modes of transportation options to its residents, employees, and visitors as a mean to improve mobility and reduce congestion, and

WHEREAS, on the August 2023, Council Meeting, the Mayor and Councilmembers expressed interest in providing an on-demand transit service to the City's senior citizen population; and

WHEREAS; on the December 2023 Council Meeting, the PWD presented to the Mayor and Councilmembers a high-level overview of vendors that currently provide ondemand transit services in South Florida; and

WHEREAS, at the March 13, 2024, Council Meeting, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 24-53, authorizing the City Manager to waive the competitive bidding process and approve a contract with Freebee for the establishment of a six (6) month pilot program to provide first-last mile, door-to-door and a fifty (50) hour a week on-demand transit service for eligible senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2024, the City launched the City's Senior On Demand Transit Service, and on July 15, 2024, the PWD coordinated with Freebee and the City Manager's office to increase operating hours and include a weekend service for up to 50-hours a week which has been requested by most seniors; and

WHEREAS, in September 11, 2024, the Mayor and City Councilmembers adopted Resolution No. 24-220 authorizing a contract extension with Freebee for a one (1) year period; and

WHEREAS, the current Service Agreement with Freebee for the Senior On-Demand transit service Pilor Program is set to expire on May 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department respectfully request that the Mayor and Councilmember authorize the City Manager to extend the Senior Service Program with Freebee through June 30, 2026, to coincide with the FDOT Grant period to provide last-mile door-to-door on-demand transit service at an amount not to exceed the Departmental budgeted funds while the City works on research, development and procure an advertising of a new Request for Proposals (RFP) for an On-Demand Transit Service; and

WHEREAS, funding to cover the cost for this request is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2024-25, in the Transportation Plan Fund – "Contractual Services", Account No. 101.80005.500341.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL AS FOLLOWS:

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<u>Section 1.</u> Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Approval. The Service Contract Agreement extension through June 30, 2026, between the City of Doral and Freebee for door-to-door on-demand transit service under the same terms and conditions, in an amount not to exceed the budgeted departmental funds, is hereby approved.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Authorization.</u> The City Manager is authorized to execute the Service Contract Agreement extension.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Implementation</u>. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and the provisions of this resolution.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Authority to Expend Budgeted Funds.</u> The City Manager is authorized to expend budgeted funds to accomplish this resolution.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilmember Pineyro who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Reinoso and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of April, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOF

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

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