

RESOLUTION NO. 19- 1608

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNMANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT; AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO APPLY FOR ANNUAL RENEWALS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (PIDERMANN)

WHEREAS, a key component to the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) overall transportation strategic plan, as described in Resolution 15-1330, is the pursuit of alternative strategies to the Town’s then existing on demand bus services; and

WHEREAS, in the past year, the Town has phased out its on-demand bus services and replaced the same with Freebee Ridesharing Program (“Freebee”); and

WHEREAS, throughout this phase, demand for Freebee has steadily increased surpassing the use of the on demand bus services; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (“FDOT”) created the Public Transit Service Development Program Grant (the “Grant”) in order to assist local communities with the implementation of projects and purchase of vehicles aimed at providing alternative and innovative transportation solutions; and

WHEREAS, if granted, the Grant will provide up to \$172,000.00 in funding (50% of \$344,000.00 total project cost), and provide the opportunity for two (2), one (1) year renewals (maximum of \$516,000.00 if renewed for two additional years); and

WHEREAS, if granted, the Grant will help the Town fund its current Freebee fleet, and expand its public transportation program via Freebee; and

WHEREAS, the Grant requires fifty-percent (50%) matching funds from the Town; and

WHEREAS, matching monies are available from the Peoples Transportation Plan Fund;

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to authorize the Town Manager to apply for the the Florida Department of Transportation Public Transit Service Development Program Grant, and if awarded, to accept the grant, and execute an agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation, apply for and execute annual renewals of the grant, and provide the necessary match funding required by the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Apply for and Accept Grant. The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to apply for Florida Department of Transportation Public Transit Service Development Program Grant and if awarded, execute such grant agreements, and other contracts and documents as necessary, including annual applications for grant extensions, and execution of the annual grant extensions, and take such other acts as may be necessary to bind the Town and accomplish the intent of this Resolution.

Section 3. Authorization of Town Officials. The Town Manager and/or his designee and the Town Attorney are authorized to take all steps necessary to implement the terms and conditions of the Florida Department of Transportation Public Transit Service Development Program Grant. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to send copies of this Resolution to any person or agency as directed by the Town Council of the Town of Miami Lakes.

Section 4. Authorization of Matching Funds. If awarded the grant, the Town agrees to commit up to \$172,000 annually of budgeted funds, as matching funds to implement the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Section 5. Execution of the Agreement. The Town Manager is authorized to execute the Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation on behalf of the Town.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Passed and adopted this 14th day of May 2019

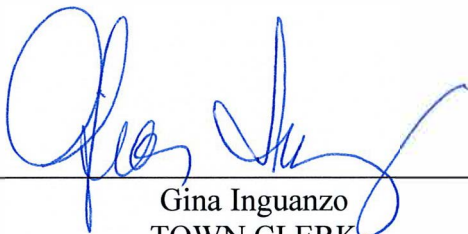
The foregoing resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Rodriguez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Carlos O. Alvarez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Luis Collazo	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	<u>yes</u>




MANNY CID
MAYOR

Attest:



Gina Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Raul Gastesi, Jr.
TOWN ATTORNEY 