



TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

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TITLE: Motion Approving an Amendment to the MicroTransit Pilot Services Agreement with Circuit Transit Inc. to Transition Services from the Piggyback Pompano Beach Agreement No. P-29-20 to the City's Agreement pursuant to RFP No. 161 for Downtown and Galt Mile Service Areas - \$1,157,165 (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve, in substantially the form attached, an Amendment to the MicroTransit Pilot Services Agreement with Circuit Transit Inc. (Circuit) to transition services from the piggyback Pompano Beach Agreement No. P-29-20 to the City's Agreement pursuant to RFP No. 161 for the Downtown and Galt Mile service areas in the amount of \$1,157,165, increasing the initial two (2)-year estimated amount from \$440,000 to \$1,597,165, each of the three (3) additional one (1)-year renewal options amounts are contingent upon appropriations of funds.

Background

The City utilizes on-demand microtransit services operated by Circuit to support first-mile and last-mile connectivity, reduce traffic congestion, and enhance access to multimodal transportation options throughout the City. Historically, these services have been provided through piggyback contracts. Since August 2022, microtransit operations have been supported under two (2) agreements: City of Hollywood Agreement No. 4579-18-PB, and City of Pompano Beach Agreement No. P-29-20 for Transportation Circulator Services. These piggyback agreements enabled the City to efficiently expand service coverage and sustain microtransit operations.

The City, via the Procurement Services Division, on March 22, 2024, issued Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 161 to solicit proposals from highly qualified, experienced, and licensed firms to secure the City's own agreement to provide an on-demand microtransit service within the northwest area of the City.

On April 12, 2024, the City received three (3) proposals.

On June 20, 2024, the Evaluation Committee selected Circuit Transit, Inc., as the highest ranked, responsive, and responsible firm. After extensive competitive negotiations, on December 3, 2024, the City Commission approved an agreement with Circuit Transit, Inc.

for an initial two (2) year term with three (3) additional one (1) year renewal options (Exhibit 1, CAM #24-0693). The agreement was executed on December 19, 2024.

The agreement includes a provision under Section 3.2.1 to allow the City to add microtransit services in additional service areas, including both on-demand and fixed-route operations, based on operational needs. As the City of Pompano Beach piggyback agreement expires on February 21, 2026, City staff recommend transitioning the Circuit microtransit services currently serving the Downtown and Galt Mile areas to the City's competitively procured contract to ensure continuity of service. Exhibits 4 and 5 provide details related to scope and service areas that are being incorporated into the contract.

Pricing for the additional services is based on the rates that were competitively solicited, negotiated, and awarded through Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 161. Approval of this amendment will allow the City to maintain uninterrupted service, support mobility and first-mile and last-mile connectivity goals, and advance its multimodal transportation initiatives.

The Pompano Beach piggyback agreement provides a credit of \$136,500 in advertising revenue guarantees which were incorporated into the hourly rate structure. The City of Fort Lauderdale agreement provides revenue share opportunities for advertising revenue, however the agreement restricts alcohol-related advertising. Circuit informed the City that the alcohol-related restriction may limit advertising revenue opportunities.

Circuit projects that it could secure \$200,000 in alcohol-related advertising and \$100,000 in non-alcohol-related advertising per year. As the RFP No. 161 agreement provides a fifty percent (50%) advertising revenue share, based on the Circuit projection, the City would receive approximately \$150,000 in credits to offset operating expenditures. However, with alcohol-related advertising restrictions, City staff anticipate receiving less advertising revenue than in previous years. The actual impact is unknown as Circuit has not secured additional non-alcohol-related advertising commitments at this point in time.

The recommended action does not expand the existing service areas or the existing microtransit service. Staff received various requests to expand microtransit services to other areas of the City. While service expansion remains an important long-term goal, any potential expansion must be carefully evaluated to ensure that it addresses unmet mobility needs, complement areas where City or County transit service is not available or limited, and remain financially sustainable over time. Furthermore, any expansion into residential neighborhoods must be further assessed given the large number of neighborhoods citywide and the significant cost required to provide reliable, consistent service across an expanded service area. Any further expansion will require additional funding to mitigate negative service impacts such as affecting the quality and wait times of the existing service.

Resource Impact

This contract increase from \$440,000 to \$1,597,165, does not result in an increase to the City's total microtransit expenditure, as the funding reflects a transfer of services previously provided under piggyback Pompano Beach Agreement No. P-29-20 to the City's Agreement pursuant to RFP No. 161. Advertising revenue (operational credits) to the City may be reduced based on advertising restrictions. Funding is available in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Operating Budget within the applicable cost centers and accounts

listed below, and no additional budget appropriation is required.

<i>Funds available as of February 4, 2026</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
10-110-8061-541-40-4299	Transportation Surtax Initiatives	Other Operating Expenses	\$1,786,000	\$1,115,580	\$1,033,115
10-461-8018-545-40-4204	Las Olas Garage	Other Operating Expenses	\$590,426	\$494,711	\$124,050
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$1,157,165

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multi-modal transportation network

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Connected.

Attachments

- Exhibit 1 - CAM #24-0693
- Exhibit 2 - Solicitation
- Exhibit 3 - Executed Agreement
- Exhibit 4 - Additional Scope/Statement of Services
- Exhibit 5 - Additional Service Areas Maps
- Exhibit 6 - Amendment

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