Meeting Date: June 7, 2022

**Department: Palm Tran** 

Recommended by:

Approved By:

Agenda Item #: 3AA-1

Consent [ ] Regular Ordinance [ ] Public Hearing

## PALM BEACH COUNTY **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

## **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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[XX] Consent

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF
Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:
<b>A) Approve</b> an emergency contract with Freedom Bus Source LLC in the amount of \$3,827,925.18 for the period of contract execution to October 31, 2022, to purchase 32 paratransit cutaway buses to be used in the provision of Paratransit services.
Summary: On February 15, 2022, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) informed Palm Tran that the Transit Research Inspection Procurement Services Program (TRIPS) contract cannot be used until State Fiscal Year 2024 (after July 1, 2023). An emergency contract is required to replace paratransit vehicles that have reached useful life in accordance with Palm Tran's level fleet replacement plan. This procurement ensures that the Paratransit fleet remains in a state of good repair and that Palm Tran Connection can continue to provide efficient and reliable paratransit service for the ADA eligible riders. This emergency contract adopts and incorporates by reference the terms and conditions (except for the pricing of the buses) of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Contract #TRIPS-17-CA-FBS, dated March 2017. The TRIPS contract historically has established a statewide Purchasing Agreement with Freedom Bus Source (contractor) and Turtle Top (manufacturer) for the manufacture and delivery of Cutaway vehicles that are traditionally used by Palm Tran Connection. The current lack of needed vehicles is detrimental to the interests, health, safety or welfare of the County by reducing the provision of paratransit services. Without an emergency purchase of paratransit vehicles, Palm Tran will be unable to provide transportation services for life sustaining appointments for the most vulnerable and delicate population in Palm Beach County. Countywide (MM)
<b>Background and Justification:</b> Palm Tran Connection provides life sustaining services to seniors and persons with disabilities in Palm Beach County. A lapse in providing these contracted services would be detrimental to this vulnerable population.
Attachments:  1) Freedom Bus Contract (3 Copies) 2) FDOT Notification to use TRIPS after July 1st, 2023 3) MEMORANDUM - Emergency Purchase Request for Para. Veh: cles
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Executive Director

## II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

## A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Capital	\$3,827,925.18				
Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External					
Revenues					
Program					
Income(County)					
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B. Recommended S	ources of Funds/Sun	nmary of Fiscal	Impact:		
C. Departmental Fis	cal Review:	Jeremy Bake	r, Director of A	dmin Services	<del></del> ;

III. REVIEW COMME	NTQ.	MEN	IMO?	NΙ	E/	D	Ш

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

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B. Legal Sufficiency

**Assistant County Attorney** 

C. Other Department Review

**Department Director** 

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