

ORDINANCE NO. 006-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACTS RELATED
TO PARATRANSIT SERVICES TO PACE

WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly has provided that the Suburban Bus Board (Pace) shall operate or provide for the operation of all ADA paratransit services in the RTA region by no later than July 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly has called for the RTA and Pace to create regional, integrated paratransit services that more efficiently and effectively deliver paratransit service to customers; and

WHEREAS, The Authority currently has contracts with three Special Services carriers (Art's Transportation, LLC, Contract #B98B80499B; SCR Medical Transportation, Inc., Contract #B98B80499C; and Cook-DuPage Transportation Co., Inc., Contract #B98B80499A) to provide paratransit service ("Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, The Contracts will terminate on December 31, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Contracts provide that they may be assigned to another governmental agency; and

WHEREAS, The three Special Services carriers provide 1.67 million rides per year for paratransit-eligible riders; and

WHEREAS, Pace has requested that the Authority assign the Contracts to it, effective July 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Pace shall be responsible for ensuring performance under the Contracts and making payments for services performed to the Special Services carriers, effective July 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Authority shall not be responsible for ensuring performance under the Contracts and making payments for services performed to the Special Services carriers as of July 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Authority also has assignable contracts with 17 taxicab affiliations that provide services for ADA paratransit-eligible customers under the Taxi Access Program and the Mobility Direct Program; and

WHEREAS, Pace has requested that the Authority assign all of the contracts with such taxicab affiliations to it, effective July 1, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, Pace must accept assignment of all contracts by April 15, 2006, for such assignments to become effective on July 1, 2006, and Pace has agreed to take such action; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is working with the RTA and the disabled community to make every effort to provide for a smooth transition of paratransit services to Pace, and will continue to assist Pace by making the assignments of the Contracts and the taxicab affiliation contracts; now therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes the assignment to Pace, effective July 1, 2006, of three Special Services contracts: the contract between the Authority and Art's Transportation, LLC; the contract between the Authority and SCR Medical Transportation, Inc.; and the contract between the Authority and Cook-DuPage Transportation Co. Inc.

SECTION 2. The Chicago Transit Board further authorizes the assignment to Pace, effective July 1, 2006, of 17 contracts with taxicab affiliations that provide services for ADA paratransit-eligible customers under the Taxi Access Program and the Mobility Direct Program.

SECTION 3. The Authority's rights and obligations under the contracts with the three Special Services carriers and with all taxicab affiliations shall terminate on June 30, 2006, except that any rights and obligations that accrued under the contracts prior to July 1, 2006, shall remain the rights and obligations of the Authority.

SECTION 4. The Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, or her designee, is authorized to execute the assignments of the contracts to Pace.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

February 15, 2006

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