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TO

Transportation Program Manager Alfred Knotts Town of Truckee 10183 Truckee Airport Road Truckee, CA 96161

Dear Alfred Knotts

I am writing on behalf of Northstar Transportation Department to express our strong interest in the Event Shuttle and On-Call Transit Operations contract. We understand the significance of this proposal in ensuring the seamless execution of key community events such as Truckee Thursdays, the Fourth of July parade, and the Fourth of July fireworks and celebration.

As the current incumbent on the existing 5-year contract, Northstar Transportation Department brings a wealth of experience and deep familiarity with the routes and scope of work involved. We have successfully executed shuttle services for these events in the past, ensuring reliable and efficient transportation for residents and visitors alike.

One of our distinguishing qualities is our new fleet of vehicles. Our shuttles are equipped with advanced technology to enhance passenger comfort and safety. This investment demonstrates our commitment to providing top-notch transportation services and our proactive approach to staying ahead of industry standards. Northstar is in transition to start using Renewable Fuel in the fleet.

Furthermore, our team consists of highly skilled and knowledgeable drivers who are well acquainted with the local routes and event logistics. Our familiarity with the unique challenges and requirements of these events allows us to anticipate and address any potential issues, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable experience for all attendees.

We are excited about the opportunity to continue serving the Truckee community and contributing to the success of these important events.

Sincerely,

Hilda Vazquez



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Date: 01/17/2025

To: Alfred E. Knotts, Town of Truckee

CC: Danielle McHugh, Tara Schoedinger

From: Hilda Vazquez

RE: RFP Event Shuttles and On-Call Transit Operations (Five-Year)

Northstar California is proposing to provide service for the Town of Truckee as a transit operator to provide community shuttles to events and during peak season time periods on an on-call basis for a five (5) year period commencing June 2025. Northstar is able to provide transportation on an on-call basis in accordance with the Town of Truckee RFP dated 01/17/2025 with the following parameters:

- Advance notice of 30 days prior to requested service needed to accommodate requests.
- Reductions or cancellations in the number of routes or vehicles will require a minimum 14-day notice, with exception to severe weather cancellations. Failure to do so will result in full day's rate per vehicle service hour cancelled.
- Service provided will be free to the rider.
- In the event of mechanical issues on any given day, Northstar will be able to immediately respond with a backup vehicle, with minimal travel time from the Downtown Shuttle Lot to the point of need. Our live dispatch office can be reached daily from 10am-10pm, as well as a supervisor who will be on site during operations.
- Billing will be Monthly with Net 10 terms.
- Summary of Experience:
 - Northstar operates the largest regional transit system in North Lake Tahoe/Truckee with 35 buses with primary lines of business in dial-a-ride, parking lot shuttle, and charter bus operations.
 - Northstar provides 3 fixed route services throughout the year for private clients and operates the largest charter bus service in the North Lake Tahoe area. Northstar has extensive experience operating in all regional weather and roadway conditions on a year round basis with a variety of regional transit stakeholders.
 - o Northstar has been proving the service for the On-Call Events Shuttle Service for the last five years to the Town of Truckee.
- References:
 - Fixed route private shuttle service, Winters 2007- Present, Old Greenwood, Meaghan Ogilvie 530.550.7087
 - Fixed route private shuttle service, Summers 2007-2024, Thunderbird Lodge Preservation Society, Bill Watson, 775-832-8755
 - Charter shuttles, 2008 Present, North Lake Tahoe Executive Shuttle, Tae Kim, 530-583-7685

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- 10 Bluebird buses, one of them has ADA access, the buses will be provided for these services, with seating arrangements between 34 and 40 passengers, based on estimated route load and route maneuverability, in agreeance with the Town of Truckee. Additional vehicles are available for backup as needed, prioritized by other existing commitments. Requested vehicles list attached.
- Pricing:
 - \circ \$165/hour Transit (Bluebird)
 - o \$165/hour 36-43 Passenger Cutaway
 - \circ \$155/hour 20-25 passenger Cutaway

Northstar Vehicle List

MAKE/MODEL	YEAR	SEATS	ADA ACCESIBLE	CONDITION	STATUS(PRIMARY
					OR BACKUP
Bluebird	2025	40	Yes	New	Primary
Bluebird	2025	40	No	New	Primary
Bluebird	2025	40	No	New	Primary
Bluebird	2025	40	No	New	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Bluebird	2022	40	No	Good	Primary
Freightliner/S2C	2019	36	No	Good	Backup
Freightliner/S2C	2013	43	No	Good	Backup
Thomas/C2	2017	44	No	Good	Backup
Ford/F650	2011	40	No	Good	Backup
Ford/F650	2011	36	No	Good	Backup
Ford/F550	2017	30	No	Good	Backup
Ford/F550	2017	30	No	Good	Backup
Ford/F550	2013	30	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2018	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2017	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2016	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2016	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2016	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2016	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2015	25	No	Good	Backup
Ford/E450	2012	21	Yes	Good	Backup

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TCP Z PERMIT EXPIRES ON Jul 19, 2026 - SEE PARAGRAPH - 10

PERMIT NO: TCP0018828 - Z TRIMONT LAND COMPANY PO BOX 129 TRUCKEE CALIFORNIA 96160

The above-named Carrier, having made written application to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California for a certificate to operate as a CHARTER-PARTY CARRIER OF PASSENGERS, pursuant to Sections 5351 through 5420 of the Public Utilities Code, is granted this certificate authorizing the transportation of passengers by motor vehicle over the public highways of the State of California as a CHARTER-PARTY CARRIER OF PASSENGERS, as defined in said Code, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. This permit is issued pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 5384(a).
- 2. No vehicle or vehicles shall be operated by said Carrier unless adequately covered by a public liability and property damage insurance policy or surety bond as required by Public Utilities Code Section 5392.
- Said Carrier shall comply with all Commission orders, decisions, rules, directions, and requirements governing the operations of said Carrier including General Order Series 115 and 157 and shall remit to the Commission the Transportation Reimbursement Fee required by Public Utilities Code Section 403.
- 4. All vehicles operated under this permit shall comply with the requirements of the Motor Carrier Safety Section of the California Highway Patrol. No vehicle shall be operated unless it is named in the Carrier's most recent equipment list on file with this Commission. Written amendments to the equipment list shall be filed within ten days of the date the vehicle is put into or pulled out of service.
- 5. This permit is subject to amendment, modification, suspension or revocation as provided in the Public Utilities Code and in Commission Resolutions PE-498, PE-501, and TL-18336.
- 6. This permit may not be sold, assigned, leased, or otherwise transferred or encumbered without Commission authorization.
- 7. This permit does not authorize the Carrier to conduct operations on the property of or into any airport unless such operation is authorized by the airport authority involved.
- 8. This permit does not authorize round-trip sightseeing tour service.
- 9. The use of top lights and/or taxi meters in all vehicles operated under this permit is prohibited (D. 82-05-069).
- 10. This permit expires 2026-07-19. It may be renewed every three (3) years upon submission and approval of a renewal application. This renewal application should be submitted 90-days prior to the expiration date.

Date: Jun 28, 2023

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Terra Curtis Director, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division

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