

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 7, 2016
FROM:	G. KOTSIFAS, P. ENG. MANAGING DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT & COMPLIANCE SERVICES AND CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL
SUBJECT:	VEHICLE FOR HIRE BY LAW – ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING

RECOMMENDATION

That on the Recommendation of the Managing Director, Development and Compliance Services and Chief Building Official, this report BE RECEIVED as information, it being noted that there were several items discussed at the public participation meeting held on October 26, 2016 which would merit some further discussion and action.

PREVIOUS REPORTS

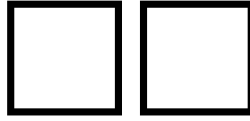
September 22, 2015, CPSC, Vehicles for Hire – New Technologies
March 30, 2016, CPSC, Options Report
June 21, 2016, CPSC, Results of Community Consultation
July 19, 2016, CPSC, Proposed Regulations
October 26, 2016, CPSC, Public Participation Meeting

BACKGROUND

Municipal Council, at its meeting held on July 26, 2016 resolved that the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to prepare a draft by-law for consideration at a public participation meeting before the Community and Protective Services Committee, in October of this year, to amend the Vehicle for Hire By-law. The public participation meeting was held on October 26, 2016 with approximately 40 submissions received. This report summarizes the matters which in the opinion of Civic Administration warrant further discussion and Council direction. The report lists the topics of discussion and some option for consideration.

PUBLIC PARTICIAPTION ACTION ITEMS

1. Minimum Fare for Executive Limousines
- Amend the minimum fare for limousines to the lowest zone rate of \$10.25 and \$9.50 senior/student rate
2. Camera Requirements
- Mandatory dash cameras in cabs and limousines only
 - Mandatory dash cameras in all vehicles for hire including private vehicles for hire (Uber)
 - Civic Administration to report back in one year after new by-law in full force and effect (March 1, 2017) on uniform “cloud-based” camera systems for all vehicles for hire



3. Insurance requirements

- All vehicles for hire maintain a valid commercial policy protecting the public and passengers in the amount of \$2M

4. Class B Cab Owner licences

- Take no action as non-transferable licences working fine

5. Workman's Compensation

- Take no action as this is not a local regulatory matter

6. Debit Machine charges

- Allow the cost of use of debit machines to be borne by passengers

7. Rickshaws

- Take no action as the Streets By-law addresses traffic-related matters

8. Vehicle Safety Checks

- All vehicles for hire submit vehicle safety checks from an accredited MTO inspection facility during renewal periods and as directed by Municipal Law Enforcement Officers

9. Vehicle Entry Age

- Maintain vehicle entry age of 5 model years for all vehicles
- Delete vehicle entry age for private vehicles for hire
- Delete vehicle entry age for all vehicles for hire

10. Online Licence Application

- Allow for brokers to make driver/owner application submissions online
- Maintain current system of applicants attending City Hall to submit application documents

11. Criminal Record Check

- Maintain current system of applicants requiring vulnerable screening records check at local Police Services where applicant resides
- Allow for third party record checks with a grading of : Pass; Fail; Concern

12. Vehicle Identification

- Require private vehicles for hire to maintain AODA identification
- Require private vehicles for hire to maintain vehicle/broker specific removable signage
- Require private vehicles for hire to maintain broker specific removable signage

13. Surge Pricing

- Allow for Surge Pricing upon approval of electronic fare acceptance by Licence Manager
- Make further amendment prohibiting cash payments in private vehicles for hire

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14. Accessible Taxis

- Keep cap of one accessible plate for every 18 cab plates
- Remove cap on accessible cab plates
- Request report back upon further discussion with industry

15. Role of City as Regulator

- Maintain current role of City as regulator and approval authority of Council by-law
- Allow brokers to self-regulate and submit list of approved applicants to City

16. HST Requirement

- Maintain current regulation of requiring HST registration number upon application
- Delete requirement as this is a Federal taxation responsibility

17. Fees

- Adopt fee schedule presented at PPM
- Provide all brokers option to pay fee of 50 cents per ride and eliminate owner fee
- Implement Transportation Network Company fee based on # of vehicles – 1-100 (\$5,000); 101-500 (\$10,000); 501-1000 (\$15,000); +1,000 (\$20,000)

18. Errata Sheet

- Amend the by-law to address minor typos and deletions (refer to errata sheet from PPM)

CONCLUSION

This report addresses the key matters discussed during the PPM on October 26, 2016. A number of action items are listed for discussion and direction purposes. Depending on the direction of Council, there will be no need to change the in full force and effect date proposed on March 1, 2017 and reports and amendments will be reported back in a timely fashion.

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