



STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Vehicles for Hire Bylaw – Taxi and TNC Parity Review

Recommendation of the Committee

That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare an amendment to the Vehicles for Hire Bylaw in order to implement Option 9, to align maximum vehicle age, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services dated February 1, 2021.

History

At the February 1, 2021 Standing Policy Committee on Transportation meeting, a report of the General Manager, Community Services dated February 1, 2021 was considered.

Your Committee received a PowerPoint from Licensing and Permitting Manager Wilson along with presentations from the following speakers:

- Kelly Frie, Riide;
- Yanique Williams, Public Policy Manager, Uber Canada; and
- Katherine Luneng.

In addition, written submissions were received from the following:

- Letter from Khodr Bardouh, Hey Taxi, received January 29, 2021, rescinding request to speak and replacing with comments;
- Email from Mark Gill, Executive Director, Captain Taxi Ltd., dated January 31, 2021; and
- Email from Scott Suppes, President, Riide Inc., dated February 1, 2021.

In addition to the above recommendation, your Committee also resolved within its delegated authority:

1. That the Administration report back on the implications and options of pursuing Option 5; and
2. That the Administration report back on wait times and other available data from the Taxi and TNC industries that resulted from bylaw amendments made in past.



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Attachments

1. February 1, 2021 report of the General Manager, Community Services
2. January 29, 2021 letter from Khodr Bardouh, Hey Taxi
3. January 31, 2021 email from Mark Gill, Executive Director, Captain Taxi Ltd.
4. February 1, 2021 email from Scott Suppes, President, Riide Inc.