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Submitted values are:

**I have read and understand the above statements.:** Yes

**Date:** Monday, January 16, 2023

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

Please see attached letter and include in City Council's meeting package for week of Jan 16. Thank you!

**Attachments:**

- [Letter City Council Taxi Curb Fee Jan17.pdf](#)161.95 KB

**Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting?: No**

January 16, 2023

Saskatoon City Council  
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## **Inclusion of Fees in Taxi Fares**

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Dear Mayor Clark and Councillors,

We understand that the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation has recommended to City Council an amendment to Bylaw No. 9651, Vehicles for Hire Bylaw, 2029, to permit the Saskatoon Airport Authority Commercial Curb Fee to be added to the taxi fare.

### **Support for Bylaw Change**

We support this amendment as it will ensure taxi drivers are no longer responsible for incurring the additional charge on metered taxi fares, either to or from John G. Diefenbaker International Airport. This approach is consistent with the policies of other major municipalities across Canada and will help reduce costs for drivers and operators who provide airport-related taxi services.

### **Opportunity to Do Better, Do More**

As the City Solicitor prepares this amendment, we urge Council to further direct the Solicitor's Office to allow the \$0.60 licensing fee that is currently charged to owners/operators to be included in metered taxi fares to/from the airport, and allow an additional \$0.40 administration fee to cover the costs of collecting, calculating and remitting these fees to the airport and the city. This would bring the total fees charged to airport passengers to \$3.00 – a nominal amount that would not unduly burden passengers and provide taxi drivers/operators the opportunity to recover their costs.

When bylaw changes are being considered, it is an opportunity to make other improvements. An amendment to Bylaw No. 9651 presents one such opportunity and we urge City Council to consider it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jason Aebig, CEO  
Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce