The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Bylaw, 2024

ISSUE

This report submits Bylaw No. 9986, *The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Bylaw, 2024* ("Bylaw") for City Council's consideration. The Bylaw amends *The Vehicles for Hire Bylaw, 2019* to implement City Council's decisions respecting temporary wheelchair accessible taxi and enterprise taxi licences. The Bylaw also updates the appropriate appeal board to the Saskatoon Appeal Board, effective January 1, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council consider Bylaw No. 9986, *The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Bylaw,* 2024.

BACKGROUND

At its March 27, 2024 Regular Business Meeting, City Council considered a report of the General Manager, Community Services dated March 5, 2024, and resolved in part:

That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare amendments to Bylaw No. 9651, *The Vehicles for Hire Bylaw, 2019*, to:

- 1. Renew the terms for the existing 21 temporary wheelchair accessible taxis until June 30, 2032;
- 2. Implement Option 2: Grant 16 Enterprise Taxi Licences and 14 Additional Temporary Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Licences; and
- 3. Allow current enterprise taxi licence holders to participate in the next lottery but maintain the other rules for participation in the lottery.

At its <u>September 27, 2023 Regular Business Meeting</u>, City Council considered a report of the City Solicitor's Office dated June 14, 2023 and resolved in part:

That the Property Maintenance Appeal Board, Saskatoon Private Swimming Pools Appeal Board, Environmental Management Appeal Board, Fire Appeal Board, Saskatoon License Appeal Board, Access Transit Appeal Board and City Mortgage Appeal Board be combined into one Appeal Board, with the membership being different than the Board of Revision and maintain the Development Appeals Board as a separate entity (Option 2: Combine All Appeal Boards Established under *The Cities Act* - into One Appeal Board and Maintain the Development Appeals Board as a Separate Appeal Board).

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

In accordance with City Council's instructions, we are pleased to submit Bylaw No. 9986, *The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Bylaw, 2024* for City Council's consideration.

Sections respecting the enterprise taxi licence distribution lottery and the issuance of enterprise taxi licences have been redrafted for clarification purposes.

APPENDIX

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 9986, The Vehicles for Hire Amendment Bylaw, 2024.

Report Approval

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