AGENDA



PUBLIC VEHICLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011 - 9:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE

300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO, L5B 3C1 www.mississauga.ca

<u>Members</u>

Councillor Ron Starr, Ward 6

Councillor Nando Iannicca, Ward 7

Al Cormier (Citizen Member)

Nabil A. Nassar (Citizen Member)

Harsimar Singh Sethi (City Area Taxicab Drivers)

Paramvir Singh Nijjar (City Area Taxicab Owners)

Baljit Singh Pandori (Elected at Large)

Gurvel Singh (Taxicab Brokerages)

Craig McCutcheon (Limousine Owners)

Contact: John Britto, Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk 905-615-3200 ext. 3795 Fax 905-615-4181
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CALL TO ORDER

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST

PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS

A. Karam Singh Punian, Executive Director, Airport Taxicab Association (ATA) – would like to address the Committee with regard to his letter dated February 7, 2011 (Agenda Item 5).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. <u>Introduction of Committee Members and Staff</u>

Committee members and staff will briefly introduce themselves.

2. <u>Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)</u>

Minutes of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee meeting held December 14, 2010.

Recommend Adoption

3. <u>Draft Terms of Reference</u>

Recommend Approval

4. 2011 Meeting Dates

Memorandum dated March 29, 2011 from John Britto, Legislative Coordinator indicating proposed 2011 meeting dates.

Recommend Approval

5. <u>Letter dated February 7, 2011 from Karam Singh Punian and Balwinder Dhillon of Airport Taxicab Association (ATA).</u>

Letter dated February 7, 2011 from Karam Singh Punian, Executive Director and Balwinder Dhillon, President, ATA requesting representation on the PVAC, removal of tariff and bill of rights tariff stickers on airport taxi cabs, and other issues.

Direction Required

6. Letter dated February 14, 2011 from Mark Sexsmith, Taxi Owner/Operator

Letter dated February 14, 2011 from Mark Sexsmith, Taxi Owner/Operator requesting that a sub-committee of the PVAC be formed to investigate the possibility of providing a per diem to the industry representatives on the PVAC, and ways of having the industry fund these amounts.

Direction Required

7. Response – Taxicab Driver Retraining Program

Corporate Report dated April 7, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works in response to Council Resolution 0261-2010 regarding a review of the terms and condition of the Mandatory Refresher Training Course.

Recommend Approval

8. <u>Taxicab passenger drop-off points at Square One Mall</u>

Corporate Report dated May 26, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to Square 1 Taxi Drop-off Points.

Recommend Receipt

INFORMATION ITEMS

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2011, Council Chambers

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT



Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
JUN 1 4 2011

MINUTES

PUBLIC VEHICLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2010 - 9:30 a.m.

**COMMITTEE ROOM B*

SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE,
300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO
http://www.mississauga.ca

Members Present

Councillor Nando Iannicca, Ward 7 (CHAIR)
Councillor Ron Starr (Ward 6)
Debbie Willehuk (Citizen Member)
Peter Ishak (Elected at Large)
Digvijay Singh Rana (Taxicab Brokerages)
Karam Puniam (City Area Taxicab Drivers- Alternate)
Mark Sexsmith (City Area Taxicab Owners)

Members Absent

Al Cormier (Citizen Member)
Craig McCutcheon (Limousine Owners)

Staff Present

Jamie Hinton, Acting Director of Enforcement
James Bisson, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement
Sacha Smith, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

John Britto, Legislative Coordinator
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CALL TO ORDER – 9:30am

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST - Nil

PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS - Nil

MATTERS CONSIDERED

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Special Public Vehicle Advisory Committee Minutes September 28, 2010

Approved (Mark Sexsmith) MG.04

2. Taxicab Plate Issuance Report 2010

Corporate Report dated November 18, 2010 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to Taxicab Plate Issuance Report 2010.

Members were of the opinion that this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee in view of the transition period and the impending appointments of committee members for the new 2010-2014 Council term.

3. Issue of Plates to Drivers

Letter dated October 14, 2010 from Drivers from the Priority List for the City of Mississauga with respect to the issuance of plates to Drivers.

Members were of the opinion that this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee in view of the transition period and the impending appointments of committee members for the new 2010-2014 Council term.

4. Resolution 0261-2010 - Amend Taxi Tariff HST, Mandatory Refresher Training

Memorandum dated November 26, 2010 from Jamie Hinton, Acting Director of Enforcement with respect to review of the terms and conditions of the Mandatory Refresher Training Course for taxi drivers in the City of Mississauga.

Members were of the opinion that this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee in view of the transition period and the impending appointments of committee members for the new 2010-2014 Council term.

PVAC-0016-2010

That the following items be referred to the next meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee in view of the transition period with regard to committee membership:

- (a) Taxicab Plate Issuance Report 2010
- (b) Issue of Plates to Drivers
- (c) Resolution 0261-2010 Amend Taxi Tariff HST, Mandatory Refresher Training
- (d) Letter dated November 1, 2010 from Mark Sexsmith and Gurvel Singh, requesting amendment to the City of Mississauga Public Vehicle By-law to indicate that all Mississauga taxis be owner operated.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT(S)

5. Report of the Towing Industry Subcommittee meeting held November 23, 2010

TIS-0010-2010

That the report dated October 28, 2010 entitled TIS-0006-2009 (PVAC-0020-2009/GC-0769-2009) Vehicle Storage Fees charged throughout the Greater Toronto Area, form the Transportation and Works Department, be received for information.

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PVAC-0017-2010

That the report dated October 28, 2010 entitled TIS-0006-2009 (PVAC-0020-2009/GC-0769-2009) Vehicle Storage Fees charged throughout the Greater Toronto Area, from the Transportation and Works Department, be received for information. (PVAC-0017-2010 / TIS-0010-2010) BL.09.TOW

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OTHER BUSINESS

6. Letter from Mark Sexsmith with respect to Square 1 Taxi Drop-off Points

PVAC-0018-2010

That the Letter from Mark Sexsmith with respect to Square 1 Taxi Drop-off Points be received, and that staff prepare a report to be brought forward to the next Meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee.

7. Letter from Mark Sexsmith with respect to Square 1 Taxi Flat Rate Zone

PVAC-0019-2010

That the Letter from Mark Sexsmith with respect to Square 1 Taxi Flat Rate Zone be received, and that staff prepare a report to be brought forward to the next Meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee.

8. Letter dated November 1, 2010 from Mark Sexsmith and Gurvel Singh, requesting amendment to the City of Mississauga Public Vehicle By-law to indicate that all Mississauga taxis be owner operated.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING February 8, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT - 10:30 am



Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
JUN 1 4 2011

PUBLIC VEHICLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

MANDATE

The Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee is an advisory committee of Council established to make recommendations to the Council of the City of Mississauga designed and intended to provide a safe, efficient and orderly public vehicle for hire service for the residents of Mississauga.

OPERATION

The Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee shall operate according to the Procedural By-law regulating the operation of meetings of Council and its Committees. Appointed members are required to attend meetings on a bi-monthly and on an 'as required' basis to discuss issues related to the public vehicle for hire industry in the City of Mississauga. Staff reports are primarily generated based on referral from the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee.

ELECTION

An election shall be held every three years to elect qualified industry members to the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee with a term of office concurrent with the term of Council. The City Clerk, or his/her designate, shall be responsible for conducting the election of the taxicab industry. The Rules and Procedures for conducting a Public Vehicle Advisory Committee election are appended as Appendix "A".

TERM OF OFFICE

- The Term of Office for citizen members and Council members on the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee shall run concurrent with the term of Council, or until successors are appointed.
- 2. At the first meeting of the new term of the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee, the members shall elect, from among their number, a Chair and Vice-Chair who will not be a member of the public vehicle industry. The Chair should be a member of Council.
- Members of Subcommittees will be appointed as required.

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QUORUM

- A quorum of the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee shall result from the presence of a majority of the appointed and elected members, at a time no later than thirty (30) minutes past the time for which the meeting was scheduled and so noted on the agenda or notice of the meeting.
- 2. The presence of one (1) of the appointed Council members shall be required to make quorum.
- 3. Members of the taxicab industry who are elected or appointed and who are unable to attend a meeting, may appoint a designate who is licensed under the same category as the absent member to attend in their place and who shall constitute quorum.
- The elected or appointed member of the taxicab industry must comply with the section in the Procedural By-law regarding attendance at meetings in that a member shall not miss three consecutive meetings without appointing a designate or without the consent of Council.

COMPOSITION

The membership on the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee shall consist of appointments by Resolution of Council for Citizen members and Council members and the election and appointment of industry members and will comprise of the following with voting rights:

Appointment of Members (by Resolution)

- 2 Councillors
- 2 Citizens

Industry Members (Elected)

- 1 Representative from the Taxicab Owners (elected by Owners)
- 1 Representative from the Taxicab Drivers (elected by Drivers)
- 1 Representative from the Taxicab Industry elected (at large) by both Owners and Drivers

Industry Members (Appointed)

- 1 Representative from the Livery Owners
- 1 Representative from the Brokerages

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SUBCOMMITTEES

The Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee may establish subcommittees from time to time, to deal with specific issues. The subcommittees make recommendations to the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee; quorum includes one member of Council. All members of the subcommittee have the right to vote. The Chair of the subcommittee will be appointed at the first meeting of the subcommittee.

The City Clerk or his/her designate will assign duties as Secretary to the Mississauga Public Vehicle Advisory Committee and its subcommittees.

The Director, Enforcement and Manager, Vehicle Licensing of the Enforcement Division will provide support for issues within the Committee's mandate.

Prepared: March 8, 2005

Adopted by City Council: May 25, 2005

Memorandum



Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
JUN 1 4 2011

DATE:

March 29, 2011

TO:

Chair and Members of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee

RE:

2011 Meeting Schedule Clerks File No.: MG.04

Below is a list of proposed meetings for the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee for 2011 scheduled to begin at 9:00 am in the Council Chamber:

Tuesday, June 14

Tuesday, September 13

Monday, December 5

John Britto

Legislative Coordinator

Legislative Services Division Phone: 905-615-3200 Ext. 3795 E-Mail: john.britto@mississauga.ca

Public Vehicle Advisory Committee JUN 1 4 2011



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February 7, 2011

Attn: Councillor Mr. Nando Iannicca, (CHAIR PYARECEIVED

City of Mississauga PVAC 300 City Centre Dr. Mississauga. ON. L5B 3C1 REGISTRY No.

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CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

REF: AGENDA MEETING MARCH 28, 2011

Dear Sir:

We request you to add following items into the AGENDA for upcoming PVAC meeting to be held on March 28, 2011.

- 1. In PVAC committee one owner and one driver from the Airport must be included.
 - At the Airport there are 780 APTV drivers, 200 AMTV drivers, 152 Taxicab owners and 600 taxicab drivers but there is no representation from the Airport While, in the city of Mississauga, according to the latest staff report there are about 723 active drivers about 400 owners and four (4) representatives in committee. All the Mississauga by-laws are applicable to all of these taxicab owners and drivers. There will no financial burden on the city for these representatives..
- 2. For the remaining term of the PVAC city may appoint two (2) representatives with the consultation of ATA.
- 3. We request, to remove the tariff and bill of rights tariffs stickers as airport cars are on flat rate basis. This creates confusion with the customers. Also, taxi meters in the Airport cars must be an option. It will save city's time and money.
- 4. Plate issuing formula, the fact and figures of each year must be evaluated. By following this criteria there will be more transparency and accuracy in the system.



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- 5. Taxi driver mandatory training is too costly and too long. It must be reviewed.
- 6. As long as a lessee is not a defaulter, the lease should not be cancelled. If car life and lease life ends at the same time it is helpful for the driver and the public. By allowing lessees to stay on job until the vehicle is for renewal and they are protected under by-law it will create stability in the market and lessee will be able to serve the public better by putting the better vehicle on the road. Cancellation of lease by 30 days notice is not fair.

There is no financial burden on the city with this structure. Thank you.

Sincerely.

Mr. Karam Punian.

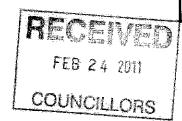
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President ATA

Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
JUN 1 4 2011



February 14, 2011

Public Vehicle Advisory Committee 300 City Centre Centre Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

Attention: Mr. Nando lannieca, Chairman

Dear Sir.

The input of the taxi/limousine representatives on the PVAC is of vital interest to all members of our industry. Over the years, these representatives have played a key role in providing guidance to Council on matters that affect both their co-workers and the traveling public. They have, by and large, done this on a volunteer basis.

As active members of our industry, these representatives naturally benefit from their input into the legislative functions of the business in that their working incomes are positively affected by the ability of the PVAC to adjust rates in accordance with changing economic realities. They do not however, get compensated for the time spent preparing for and attending meetings.

With this in mind, I would like to suggest that the PVAC strike a committee to investigate the possibility of providing a per diem to the industry representatives, and ways of having the industry fund these amounts. For example, if there are four meetings a year, a per diem payment of \$100.00 to each of the industry members could easily be funded by an annual \$1.00-\$2.00 per driver's license surcharge, which is an insignificant amount to pay for the benefits received from the work of the committee.

Could you please have this item added to the next PVAC meeting scheduled for March 22, 2011.

With thanks, I remain,

Yours truly,

Mark Sexsmith, Taxi Owner/operator



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Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
JUN 1 4 2011

DATE:

April 7, 2011

TO:

Chair and Members of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: June 14, 2011

FROM:

Martin Powell, P.Eng.

Commissioner of Transportation and Works

SUBJECT:

Response -- Taxicab Driver Retraining Program

RECOMMENDATION: 1.

- That Schedules 3 and 4 to By-law 420-04, as amended, be further amended by deleting Sections 5(3) to 5(7) inclusive and replacing them with the following:
 - (3) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete a retraining course every five (5) years.
 - (4) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete the Robbery Prevention Course every five (5) years.
 - (5) Every Inactive Driver shall be exempt from subsections 5 (3) and (4), but must comply with the subsections prior to operating a vehicle licensed under this By-law.
- 2. That Schedule 6 to By-law 420-04, as amended, be further amended by deleting Sections 13(3) to 13(5) inclusive and replacing them with the following:
 - (3) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete a retraining course every five (5) years.

- (4) Every Inactive Driver shall be exempt from subsection 13(3) but must comply with the subsection prior to operating a vehicle licensed under this By-law.
- 3. That Schedule 8 to By-law 420-04, as amended, be further amended by deleting Sections 7(4) to 7(8) inclusive and replacing them with the following:
 - (4) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete a retraining course every five (5) years.
 - (5) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete the Robbery Prevention Course every five (5) years.
 - (6) Every Inactive Driver shall be exempt from subsections 7(4) and (5), but must comply with the subsections prior to operating a vehicle licensed under this By-law.

BACKGROUND:

On September 29, 2010, Council adopted Resolution 0261-2010 (Appendix 1), as a result of a recommendation from a special meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee (PVAC) on September 28, 2010.

Staff and Council have already addressed the first resolution. This report will address the second part of that Resolution which states:

Staff review the terms and conditions of the Mandatory Refresher Training Course and report back to the next Public Vehicle Advisory Committee at its meeting to be held on December 14, 2010.

Members of the Taxicab industry had expressed concern with mandatory retraining for licensed Drivers in their petition (Appendix 2) as follows:

2. Mandatory Refresher Training Course every 5 years irrespective of good or bad record of driver is another burden on time and pocket of drivers. If a driver is in the profession for last 10-15 or 20 years and there is no complaint against the driver, there is no point wasting his time and money for refresher training. It is therefore requested that

terms and conditions of this programme should be given proper attention and revised accordingly."

COMMENTS:

The retraining requirements for Airport Municipal Transportation Vehicle, Airport Public Transportation Vehicle, Limousines and Taxicab Drivers are found in various Schedules to By-law 420-04, as amended. The most extensive requirements relate to Taxicab Drivers found in Schedule 8 Section 7(1) to 7(8) to the By-law as follows:

- 1) Where a customer complaint which in the opinion of the Licence Manager is not frivolous or vexatious has been received by the Licensing Section relating to a licensed Driver's knowledge of the geography of the City the Licence Manager may require the Licensee to attempt and successfully complete, with a mark of at least seventy-five percent (75%), a written test approved and set by the Licence Manager. Failure to obtain such a grade may result in the Licence Manager revoking or suspending the Licensee's Licence. (200-08)
- 2) The Licence Manager may require a Driver at any time to complete the Defensive Driving Course because of complaints received against the Driver, relevant convictions registered on the Driver's provincial driving record or if the Licence Manager is of the opinion that it would be in the public interest to require the Driver to complete the Defensive Driving Course.
- 3) Where a complaint has been received which in the opinion of the Licence Manager is not frivolous or vexatious and relates to the Driver's ability to transport a Disabled customer, the Licence Manager may require the Licensee to complete a Sensitivity Training Course, as a condition of the continuation or renewal of the Driver's license.
- 4) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete a Taxicab Driver Orientation Training Course every five (5) years.
- 5) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete a Sensitivity Training Course every five (5) years.
- 6) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete the Defensive Driving Course every five (5) years.
- 7) Every licensed Driver shall be required to complete the Robbery Prevention Course every five (5) years.

8) Every Inactive Driver shall be exempt from subsections 7 (4), (5), (6) and (7), but must comply with the subsections prior to operating a vehicle licensed under this By-law.

The Driver retraining by-law requirement resulted from suggestions received from the industry during the review of the previous Public Vehicle Licensing By-law 142-89 in 2003.

During the development of the retraining program, staff considered the frequency for the retraining and set it as a requirement every five (5) years. The five (5) years was selected to reduce the burden of training costs and time to the Drivers. Staff believe this is still an appropriate period of time to have the Drivers attend the retraining. The City of Toronto's requirement for Driver retraining is every three (3) years.

The current Taxicab Driver Retraining Program consists of four (4) training courses: Taxicab Orientation, Defensive Driving, Sensitivity Training for Disabled Passengers and the Robbery Prevention Course which are offered over a three (3) day period.

As mentioned previously, retraining is also a requirement for Airport Municipal Transportation Vehicle, Airport Public Transportation Vehicle and Limousine Drivers. The current requirement for these Drivers is Defensive Driving and Sensitivity Training which currently must be completed every five (5) years over two (2) days.

For many veteran Drivers, the retraining was the first formal training they ever received and for others, it addressed areas that had not been addressed the first time they completed their training or training that was deemed necessary to repeat based on public complaints.

Staff still consider it essential to have all active Drivers undergo standardized training in order to bring them up to par with the newly trained Drivers. Upon review of the retraining program for Taxicab Drivers, staff have determined that this could be accomplished over two (2) days rather than three (3). This will reduce the cost to the Drivers as well as reduce the amount of time they would be unable to work.

April 7, 2011

The two (2) day retraining course will cover the following items:

- Updating Drivers with strategies to Driver Safety in the wake of increased threats and risks posed to the Taxicab Driver's workplace.
- b) Reviewing Public Vehicle Licensing By-law 420-04 in relation to changes/updates covering additional items that are not taught in the initial two (2) orientation programs.
- c) Retrain and update the Drivers' Sensitivity Training knowledge as this training will be a requirement under the proposed new Ontario Regulation made under the Accessibility For Ontarians With Disabilities Act, 2005 Integrated Accessibility Standards.

Moving forward, staff see the potential to reduce the retraining for Airport Municipal Transportation Vehicle, Airport Public Transportation Vehicle and Limousine Drivers from two (2) to one (1) day that would cover both courses and also the by-law requirements for the Drivers.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The reduction of one (1) day of courses for those requiring retraining in the four (4) categories of licensing would be \$126.56 inclusive of H.S.T. The average number of Drivers in the four (4) categories retrained per year over the past five (5) years has been 300. The impact on the budget for Mobile Licensing would be a reduction in annual revenue of approximately \$37, 969.00. It is anticipated that this reduction in revenue will be off—set by a reduction in training costs.

CONCLUSION:

The Retraining of all Drivers is an essential component of ensuring a high level of customer service is provided the travelling public as well as assisting with Driver safety. The retraining program should focus on the changes to the by-law and refreshing Driver knowledge within those areas previously taught.

Staff believe the retraining requirement for Taxicab Drivers can be reduced to two (2) days and the retraining course requirement for the other licensed Public Vehicle Drivers can be reduced to a single day combining the by-law, defensive driving, sensitivity training and

robbery prevention into the curriculum.

To implement this type of revised Driver retraining program, it is necessary to make amendments to the Driver retraining sections of various Schedules contained within the Public Vehicle Licensing Bylaw 420-04, as amended.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix 1: Resolution 0261-2010

Appendix 2: Drivers Petition

Martin Powell, P.Eng.

Commissioner of Transportation and Works

Prepared By: James Bisson, Manager, Mobile Licensing



RESOLUTION 0261-2010 adopted by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga at its meeting on September 29, 2010

0261-2010 Moved by: Nando Iannicca

Seconded by: Carolyn Parrish

WHEREAS the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee at its Special meeting held on September 28, 2010, considered a petition from Mississauga Taxi Drivers regarding: (1) Revision of Taxi Meter due to HST Implementation; (2) Refresher Training Programme;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to the Special Meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee held on September 28, 2010, a by-law be enacted effective December 1, 2010, to amend By-law 420-04, as amended, to amend the Taxicab Tariff in Schedule 9 by reducing the increment under "By Distance-One to Four Passengers" to the first 141 Metres (462.60 feet) or part thereof and for each additional 141 Metres (462.60 feet) or part thereof and that the increment for "Waiting Time While Under Engagement" be amended for each 30 seconds.
- (b) Staff review the terms and conditions of the Mandatory Refresher Training Course and report back to the next Public Vehicle Advisory Committee at its meeting to be held on December 14, 2010.

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APPENDIX 2

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The Manager

Mobile Licensing Deptt.

City Of Mississauga

Subject: 1.Revision of Taxi Meter due to HST Implementation & 2. Refresher Training Programme

As you know that advent of HST in Ontario from July 01, 2010 is applicable to taxi industry as well, it has made a noticeable impact on pocket of taxi drivers

1. Existing taxi meter includes only 5% GST but after implementation of HST, drivers have to pay 13% which means 8% extra expense on drivers' pocket. In addition, the industry has experienced increased costs in every facet of its operations which includes plate lease, maintenance, and taxi company dues, etc. Added to this increase is decline in real revenue due to inflation and recession.

As it is not possible for drivers to bear all these expenses in existing conditions. They, therefore request an increase in meter not for themselves but to cover all these extra expenses which are becoming a real burden on them. This is also to bring to your kind notice that neighbouring cities like Toronto and Brampton have already taken a lead in this direction.

2.Mandatory Refresher Training Course every 5 years irrespective of good or bad record of driver is another burden on time and pocket of drivers. If a driver is in profession for last 10-15 or 20 years and there is no complaint against the driver, there is no point wasting his time and money for refresher training. It is therefore requested that terms and conditions of this programme should be given proper attention and revised accordingly.

Hoping for an early and favourable action.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Mississauga Taxi Drivers (Signature Sheets Attached)

Copy to: Mayor & Ail Councillors of Mississauga

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Public Vehicle Advisory Committee

DATE:

May 26, 2011

TO:

Public Vehicle Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: June 14, 2011

FROM:

Martin Powell, P. Eng.

Commissioner of Transportation and Works

SUBJECT:

Taxicab passenger drop-off points at Square One Mall

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report titled "Taxicab passenger drop-off points at Square One Mall" from the Transportation and Works Department dated May 26, 2011, in response to a letter from Mr. Mark Sexsmith, be received for information.

BACKGROUND:

On January 19, 2011, Council approved General Committee recommendation 0043-2011 which stated "That the letter from Mark Sexsmith with respect to Square 1 Taxi Drop-off Points be received, and that staff prepare a report to be brought forward to the next Meeting of the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee."

In the attached letter, (Appendix 1), from Mr. Mark Sexsmith, he expresses concern related to the fact that "taxis dropping off passengers at the Square 1 bus terminal are liable for receiving tickets for stopping (while unloading passengers on Rathburn Road or Transit Road) in a no stopping zone. Furthermore, there are no facilities for the drivers of Accessible Taxicabs to safely and legally drop off their customers."

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COMMENTS:

At the time that this letter was received by the Public Vehicle Advisory Committee, there was no designated passenger drop off area at the Square One transit terminal for taxicab drivers to drop off passengers. Taxicab drivers were required to enter onto Square One property and drop off their passenger(s) opposite the main mall level entrance to the transit terminal.

As a result of this requirement, the cost to the passenger is higher by between seventy-five cents (\$0.75) to one dollar (\$1.00) for their ride than it would have been if they could have been dropped off closer to the transit terminal.

Since that time, a "Kiss n' Ride" area has been developed on the south side of Rathburn Road West, just east of the entrance to the bus terminal. Transit Division staff have advised Enforcement staff that the taxicab drivers may use this area to drop off passengers.

In addition, staff from the two Divisions will be working together in the future to establish a taxicab stand in this kiss n' ride area for one or two taxicabs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Not Applicable

CONCLUSION:

Mr. Sexsmith's concern related to proper facilities for the Taxicab industry to appropriately drop off passengers at the Square One transit terminal has been addressed by the development of a "Kiss n' Ride" area located on the south side of Rathburn Road West.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix 1: Letter from Mr. Mark Sexsmith regarding drop off area at Square One Bus Terminal

Martin Powell, P. Eng.

Commissioner of Transportation and Works

Prepared By: James Bisson, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement

APPENDIX 1

Public Vehicle Advisory Committee
DEC 1 4 2010

City of Mississauga 300 City Centre Drive Mississauga, Ont.,

Attention: Mr. James Bisson, Manager Mobile Licensing

Re: Square 1 Taxi Drop-off Points

Dear Sir:

It has come to my attention that taxis dropping off passengers at the Square 1 bus terminal are liable for receiving tickets for stopping (while unloading passengers on Rathburn Road or Transit Road) in a no stopping zone. Furthermore, there are no facilities for the drivers of accessible taxis to safely and legally drop off their customers.

This situation needs to be resolved, for the benefit of transit users who wish to be dropped off safely at the transit station, and for the taxis drivers who should not be penalized for taking customers to their desired destination.

Could you please put this matter on the agenda of the next PVAC meeting.

Yours truly,

Mark Sexsmith
Taxi Owner Rep, PVAC