#### **Minutes**



## **Special General Purposes Committee**

Date: Monday, September 9, 2019

Place: Anderson Room

Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Kelly Greene
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Linda McPhail
Councillor Harold Steves
Councillor Michael Wolfe

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

#### AGENDA ADDITION

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond General Hospital Acute Tower Status Update be added to the agenda as Item No. 1A.

**CARRIED** 

## COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

# 1. PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION BOARD DECISIONS ON RIDE HAILING SERVICES IN THE PROVINCE

(File Ref. No. 12-8275-02) (REDMS No. 6279337 v. 2)

Discussion ensued with regard to (i) harmonizing regulations for Transportation Network Services (TNS) vehicles with taxis, (ii) establishing accessibility requirements for TNS vehicles, and (iii) encouraging an increase of accessible vehicles in the composition of TNS vehicle fleets.

As a result of the discussion, the following **motion** was introduced:

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It was moved and seconded

That the City send a letter to the Province and to the Passenger Transportation Board (PTB) to request that they address the discrepancies between taxi and Transportation Network Services (TNS) regulations, specifically as outlined in the following recommendations:

- (1) That a fleet size vehicle cap be set for TNS vehicles, except for accessible vehicles;
- (2) That TNS vehicles and Taxis be permitted to operate across municipal boundaries;
- (3) That TNS vehicles and Taxi rate structures should be aligned;
- (4) That TNS vehicles and Taxis can utilize different booking structures for passenger bookings;
- (5) That TNS vehicles and Taxis can utilize different payment structures for fare payments;
- (6) That TNS and Taxis can display outside trade dress/vehicle identifiers as currently done, so long as company name and logo are displayed;
- (7) That TNS vehicles have the same interior trade dress/vehicle identifier requirements as Taxis.
- (8) That TNS vehicles and Taxis be required to share data with the Province for monitoring purposes;
- (9) That TNS vehicles be required to install in-vehicle cameras, similar to Taxis;
- (10) That TNS vehicles have the same accessibility requirements as Taxis, and if not possible, then have requirements as currently set out separately for Taxis and TNS vehicles;
- (11) That Low Emission Vehicle requirements for TNS vehicles and Taxis be aligned and a per trip fee should be added to all Taxi and TNS vehicles that are not low emissions, except for accessible vehicles; and
- (12) That TNS vehicles and Taxis have a maximum vehicle age of 10 years and 1 month, except for accessible vehicles.

CARRIED

## 2. RICHMOND GENERAL HOSPITAL ACUTE TOWER UPDATE (File Ref. No.)

Discussion ensued with regard to the status of the proposed Richmond General Hospital Acute Tower project.

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As a result of the discussion, the following **motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That a letter be sent to the Premier and the Provincial Ministers of Health and Finance, requesting an update on the status of the Richmond General Hospital Acute Care Tower Business Plan and timeline of the Treasury Board approval.

**CARRIED** 

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (4:21 p.m.).* 

**CARRIED** 

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, September 9, 2019.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie Evangel Biason
Chair Legislative Services Coordinator