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MOTION ON NOTICE

3. Taxi Services (VanRIMS No. 11-4600-60)

MOVER: Councillor Anton

SECONDER: Councillor Lee

WHEREAS:

1. It is generally accepted that there is a shortage of taxis in the city of Vancouver;
2. The Vancouver Taxi Roundtable, with City staff and representatives from Tourism Vancouver, the Justice Institute of BC and the 4 city taxi companies, has convened to discuss matters relating to taxi service in the city; and
3. In order to have new permits in place by the 2007 tourist season decisions as to the number of permits must be made by early in the New Year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Council recommends that sufficient licenses be issued in early 2007 to address service levels in the city;
2. The Vancouver Taxi Roundtable is thanked for its ongoing work, including its successful resolution of some challenging issues;
3. The Vancouver Taxi Roundtable is respectfully requested to consider and staff are requested to report back on the following issues:
 - (a) The appropriate number of permits for 2007;
 - (b) The appropriate number of permits for the years up to 2010;
 - (c) The process for issuing the permits, including the fee;
 - (d) The degree of accessibility for the taxi fleet with the 2007 permits;
 - (e) The degree of accessibility for the taxi fleet in the long term;
 - (f) Achieving compatibility of the fleet with the goals of the Community Climate Change action plan;
 - (g) An analysis of service levels and performance measures in the city; and
 - (h) Any other issues of concern to the Roundtable.
4. Staff are requested to forward this motion to the Advisory Committee on Accessibility and other interested committees for their advice.

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