7. Support the Taxi Industry

At its meeting on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, Vancouver City Council referred this item to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, in order to hear from speakers.

The following motion includes amendments to the original motion.

MOVER: Councillor Elizabeth Ball SECONDER: Councillor George Affleck

WHEREAS

- The Passenger Transportation Board has recently allowed non-Vancouver taxi companies certain rights to pick up passengers in Vancouver;
- 2. Vancouver City Council has not supported such applications in the past and may wish to re-examine these applications now;
- 3. The Round Table of industry representatives and the city has devoted considerable time to issues relating to taxi service in Vancouver; and
- 4. Evidence suggests a high rate of non-compliance by out-of-town taxis in Vancouver.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff are requested to report back to Council following consultation with the Taxi Industry Roundtable:

- 1. A discussion of service gaps, if any, in Vancouver and possible strategies to address such gaps;
- 2. The impact of recent rulings of the Passenger Transportation Board relating to licenses in Vancouver and the impact on companies and service in Vancouver;
- 3. Recommendations as to additional enforcement measures which may be undertaken in Vancouver.

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