
Towing Industry Advisory Committee

Date

2017/03/21

Time

9:30 AM

Location

Civic Centre, Council Chamber,
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1 Ontario

Members Present

Councillor Ron Starr, Ward 6 (Chair)
Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8 (Vice-Chair)
Mark Bell, Citizen Member
Robert Fluney, Citizen Member
Daniel Ghanime, Citizen Member
John C. Lyons, Citizen Member
Tullio (Tony) Pento, Citizen Member
Armando Tallarico, Citizen Member

Members Absent

Staff Present

Mickey Frost, Director, Enforcement
Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement
Stephaine Smith, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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1. CALL TO ORDER – 9:23AM
 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Approved (T. Pento)
 3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Nil
 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
 - 4.1. Towing Industry Advisory Committee Minutes - November 22, 2016
Approved (J. Lyons)
 5. DEPUTATIONS – Nil
 6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit
(Persons who wish to address the Towing Industry Advisory Committee about a matter on the Agenda. Persons addressing the Towing Industry Advisory Committee with a question should limit preamble to a maximum of two (2) statements, sufficient to establish the context for the question, with a 5 minute limitation. Leave must be granted by the Committee to deal with any matter not on the Agenda.)

Todd Keely, TLK Towing requested to speak to the towing moratorium currently in place and noted that the moratorium is causing him financial hardships. Councillor Starr noted that staff will look into the matter and report back to a future meeting.
 7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
 - 7.1. Changes to the Tow Truck Licensing By-law 521-04, as amended, for Requirements to Accept All Forms of Payment for Towing Services

Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing spoke to the requirements to accept all forms of payment when providing towing services and that all tow truck drivers and owners maintain a POS device or other type of equipment to accept debit and credit card transactions that is approved by the Licence Manager.

Daniel Ghanime, Citizen Member spoke noted that the towing industry does accept all forms of payment and that the body shops are the ones who are accepting cash. Mr. Bell noted that this report is dealing only with the towing industry.

Members of the Committee engaged in discussion regarding accepting all forms of payment, monthly charges drivers could encounter when POS machines and the Provincial guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0001-2017

That the Towing Industry Advisory Committee provide comments to staff, for inclusion in a future report to General Committee, on the report from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works dated March 13, 2017 and entitled "Changes to the Tow Truck Licensing By-law 521-04, as amended, for Requirements to Accept All Forms of Payment for Towing Services".

Approved (J. Lyons)

RECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0002-2017

That the letter dated March 20, 2017 from Elliott Silverstein Manager, Government Relations, CAA regarding Requirements to Accept All Forms of Payment for Towing Services be received.

Received (J. Lyons)

7.2. Towing Industry Advisory Committee Action List

Daniel Ghanime, Citizen Member and Mark Bell, Citizen Member spoke to an increase to the re-tow rate and a cost of living increase. Councillor Starr noted that he would meet with staff to discuss towing rates.

RECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0003-2017

That the 2017 Towing Industry Advisory Committee Action List be received as amended.

Received (Councillor Mahoney)

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Robert Fluney, Citizen Member spoke to a centralized city pound, the Council Subcommittee of Council and meeting notifications. Daryl Bell, Manager, Mobile Licensing spoke to the Council Subcommittee of Towing and that a final report would be going to the subcommittee within the month. Stephanie Smith, Legislative Coordinator spoke to signing up for email alerts to be notified for any upcoming meetings.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - May 30, 2017

10. ADJOURNMENT – 10:05AM (Councillor Mahoney)