
Towing Industry Advisory Committee

Date

2019/02/04

Time

9:30 AM

Location

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

Members

Councillor Carolyn Parrish	Ward 5
Councillor Ron Starr	Ward 6 (Chair)
Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11
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

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
- 4.1. Towing Industry Advisory Committee Minutes - May 14, 2018
5. DEPUTATIONS – Nil
6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit
Pursuant to Section 42 of the Council Procedure By-law 0139-2013, as amended:
Towing Industry Advisory Committee may grant permission to a member of the public to ask a question of TIAC, with the following provisions:
 1. The question must pertain to a specific item on the current agenda and the speaker will state which item the question is related to.
 2. A person asking a question shall limit any background explanation to two (2) statements, followed by the question.
 3. The total speaking time shall be five (5) minutes maximum, per speaker.
7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
- 7.1. Michael Foley, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement to provide a verbal update on the status of towing issues within the industry
- 7.2. **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION** - Members of the Committee to bring your concerns regarding concerns within the towing industry
- 7.3. Towing Industry Advisory Committee Action List
8. OTHER BUSINESS
9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - April 8, 2019
10. ADJOURNMENT

City of Mississauga
Minutes



Towing Industry Advisory Committee

Date

2018/05/14

Time

9:31 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 – Nil**Staff Present**

Samuel Rogers, Director, Enforcement
Michael Foley, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement
Stephanie Smith, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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1. CALL TO ORDER – 9:01AM

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (R. Fluney)

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. Towing Industry Advisory Committee Minutes - March 26, 2018

Approved (J. Lyons)

5. DEPUTATIONS

5.1. Teresa Di Felice, Assistant Vice-President, CAA Club Group regarding Towing Issues - Licencing Report

Ms. Di Felice expressed concerns with the staff report and noted that CAA does not support the soft cap licence proposal and recommended to remove the current tow truck licence moratorium for an 18 month period; reduce or eliminate the 7 year G-Licence requirement; that drivers with a classification of license from A-F be exempt from any G-license requirement; prorate the licensing fee for a soft cap; proof of a valid CVOR certificate and that staff should work with the Peel Regional Police and OPP.

Councillors Mahoney, Starr and Parrish spoke to a towing campaign initiated by CAA, available services offered to CAA members and the 7 year G-licence requirements. Ms. Di Felice responded to questions.

Mark Bell, Citizen Member spoke to the 7 year G-Licence requirement and enquired what CAA would propose for the industry. Ms. Di Felice spoke to the requirements of hiring tow truck drivers.

RECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0013-2018

That the deputation by Teresa Di Felice, Assistant Vice-President, CAA Club Group regarding Towing Issues – Licencing Report be received.

Received (A. Tallarico)

5.2. Item 7.1 Michael Foley, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement regarding the revised issuance model for Tow Truck Owner Licenses

Mr. Foley spoke to the current requirements of the towing industry and outlined the revised issuance model for tow truck owner licences. He outlined the calculation model for the flexible cap option.

Members of the Committee made the following comments: a plate issuance model based on the population increase; the complexity of the proposed issuance model; a lottery system for plate issuance; the current number of licensed drivers in Mississauga; a reduction of the 7 year G-Licence requirement; a 5 year clean driving record; monitoring the trends in the industry; equivalent experience from other provinces or countries and to add a probation period to the by-law.

Samuel Rogers, Director, Enforcement spoke to two separate issues: the plate moratorium and driver experience. He noted that staff would bring back a report to a future General Committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0014-2018

1. That the deputation by Michael Foley, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement regarding the revised issuance model for Tow Truck Owner Licenses be received.
2. That staff be directed to bring back a report to a future General Committee meeting regarding amending the Tow Truck Licensing By-law 420-04 to reduce the Seven years of full "G" driving experience to Five years.

Received (M. Bell)

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.)

Allen, Seneca Towing spoke to experience of a new tow truck driver, mandatory driver training and the towing requirements for the Town of Caledon. Michael Foley, Manager, Mobile Licensing Enforcement spoke to the City of Mississauga training and complaints received.

Bill Simpson, representing Tier One Towing spoke to the application of a new tow licence and the issuance of new licences. Mr. Foley responded.

Lisa Goncalves, Abrams Towing spoke to the 5 year driving experience and that equivalent experience from other provinces or countries should be considered.

7. MATTERS CONSIDERED7.1. Amendment to the Tow Truck Licensing By-law 420-04: Revised Issuance Model for Tow Truck Owner LicencesRECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0015-2018

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 April 24, 2018 and entitled "Amendment to the Tow Truck Licensing By-law 420-04: Revised Issuance Model for Tow Truck Owner Licences."

Approved (M. Bell)

7.2. Towing Industry Advisory Committee 2018 Action ListRECOMMENDATION

TIAC-0016-2018

That the Towing Industry Advisory Committee 2018 Action List be received.

Received (A. Tallarico)

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Mark Bell, Citizen Member spoke to an increase of the re-tow rate and outlined the rates of other municipalities.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TBD10. ADJOURNMENT – 11:00AM (T. Pento)

Towing Industry Advisory Committee Action List

Issue	Last Discussed on	Who	Status
Training/qualifications for drivers	May 6, 2014 September 14, 2015	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Central City pound facility	February 29, 2016	Enforcement Office	COMPLETED
By-law review <input type="checkbox"/> WSIB/Insurance requirements	September 20, 2016	Enforcement Office	In progress
Bill 15 Update	May 4, 2015	Enforcement Office	COMPLETED
Centralized Vehicle Pound Facility Feasibility Study	February 29, 2016	Chris Rouse	COMPLETED
Accepting all forms of payment	December 4, 2017	Enforcement Office	COMPLETED
Tow truck licensed ceases to engage in business for a period of longer than 30 days	March 26, 2018	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Tow truck owners to notify Mobile Licensing Enforcement of the name of the licensed driver	November 22, 2016	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Having all licensed drivers renewed at the same time instead of being renewed by birthdate	November 22, 2016	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Increase for the re-tows and tow rates	March 21, 2017	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Report on Tow Truck Owners License Moratorium	September 26, 2017	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Report on Vehicle Pound Moratorium	June 13, 2017	Enforcement Office	To be brought back to a future meeting
Parked plates and the enforcement plan	January 22, 2018	Enforcement Office	COMPLETED