

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to receive and file the Biennial Report on Public Convenience and Necessity Regarding Taxicab Service; determine that the number of authorized taxicabs is sufficient; and direct that the time period for filing of taxicab applications remains closed. (Citywide)

In May 2000, the City Council passed Resolution C-27694 closing the time period for the filing of taxicab applications until specifically opened by the City Council. In addition, the Resolution requires that not less than once every two years, beginning in October 2002, the City Manager conduct an investigation into the public convenience and necessity regarding taxicab service and recommend whether the period for filing of applications should be opened or remain closed. If it is determined by the City Council that the number of authorized taxicabs is sufficient for the needs of the City, then the time period for the filing of applications shall remain closed. If, on the other hand, the City Council determines that the number of authorized taxicabs is insufficient for the needs of the City, then the time period for the filing of applications will be opened.

City staff has conducted an investigation (report attached) into the public convenience and necessity regarding taxicab service. This report examines the taxicab service being provided to both resident and non-resident taxicab customers, finds that Long Beach Yellow Cab is providing satisfactory service, predicts the number of taxicabs authorized to operate in the City of Long Beach will be sufficient, and recommends that the period for filing of taxicab applications remain closed.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on November 9, 2006 and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on November 10, 2006.

City Council action on this item is not time critical.

The annual business license tax for 175 taxicabs of \$70,850, is due January 1, 2007, and will be deposited in the General Fund (GF) in the Department of Financial Management (FM).

Approve recommendation.

MICHAEL A. KILLEBREW DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

APPROVED:

GERALD R. MILLER CITY MANAGER