

# A G E N D A

## WINDSOR LICENSING COMMISSION

Meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023  
at 9:30 o'clock a.m.  
*Council Chambers, 350 City Hall Square West*

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**1. Call to Order**

**READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomie. The City of Windsor honours all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and their valuable past and present contributions to this land.

**Election of Chair**

**2. Minutes**

Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of the Windsor Licensing Commission held November 23, 2022 – ***attached***.

**3. Disclosure of Interest**

**4. Requests for Deferrals, Referrals or Withdrawals**

**5. Communications**

No Communications at this time.

**6. Licence Transfers**

(a) Mr. Mohammed Akhtar  
Transferor

Taxicab Plate #22

Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie  
Transferee

**7. Applications/Hearings**

None.

**8. Reports & Administrative Matters**

**(a) Taxicab Industry's Proposal for Meter Increase – City Wide**

The report of the Deputy Licence Commissioner dated January 21, 2023 entitled "Taxicab Industry's Proposal for Meter Increase – City Wide" is ***attached***.

**(b) Expired Application(s) for Business Licence**

The report of the Deputy Licence Commissioner dated March 3, 2023 entitled "Expired Application(s) for Business Licence" is ***attached***.

**9. In Camera**

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

**11. Adjournment**

## **Windsor Licensing Commission**

Meeting held November 23, 2022

A meeting of the Windsor Licensing Commission is held this day commencing at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in Room 140, 350 City Hall Square West, there being present the following members:

Councillor Ed Sleiman, Chair  
Councillor Fabio Costante  
Councillor Gary Kaschak

### ***Regrets received from:***

Jayme Lesperance

### ***Delegations in attendance:***

Apream Kuryakus, Shady Rophail and Matthew Rose, American Iron & Metal Company Inc. Kenny U-Pull Windsor regarding ***Item 7(a)***

### ***Also present are the following resource personnel:***

Steve Vlachodimos, City Clerk  
Craig Robertson, Deputy Licence Commissioner & Acting Senior Manager of Licensing and Enforcement  
Janna Tetler, Senior Licence Issuer  
Marianne Sladic, Licence Issuer  
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

## **1. Call to Order**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:33 o'clock a.m. and the Windsor Licensing Commission considers the Agenda being Schedule A attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

## **2. Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Costante, seconded by Councillor Kaschak,  
That the minutes of the Windsor Licensing Commission of its meeting held July 27, 2022 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

**3. Disclosure of Interest**

None disclosed.

**4. Requests for Deferrals, Referrals or Withdrawals**

None.

**5. Communications**

None.

**6. Licence Transfers**

None.

**7. Applications/Hearings**

**(a) American Iron & Metal Company Inc. – Kenny U-Pull – Salvage Yard**

Matthew Rose, Vice President of Kenny U-Pull, Apreem Kuryakus, and Shady Rophail, American Iron & Metal Company Inc. appear before the Windsor Licensing Commission.

C. Robertson provides the following background information relating to the placement of conditions on a Salvage Yard submitted by Mr. Herbert Black, American Iron & Metal Company Inc. o/a Kenny U-Poll – Windsor.

- An application for a Salvage Yard Licence was submitted on July 7, 2022 by Mr. Herbert Black on behalf of American Iron & Metal Company.
- The City of Windsor's Planning Department confirmed on July 26, 2022 the operation of a salvage yard as an approved use for the property at 200 Sprucewood Avenue
- On August 10, 2022, in accordance with Schedule S1 of Business Licensing By-law 395-2004, a total of 14 letters of notification were sent to the property owners with lands lying within three hundred feet of the proposed Salvage Yard.
- The Salvage Yard applicants indicated that they intend to permit the wrecking of automobiles on the property which will require the permission of the Windsor Licensing Commission.

In response to a question asked by the Chair regarding if the vehicles will be crushed on the premises, Matthew Rose responds that in order to transport the vehicles

to their processing facility, the vehicles are crushed as it is not safe to send the vehicle down the road uncrushed. He adds that crushing the vehicles is a quiet operation.

Councillor Kaschak asks if American Iron & Metal (AIM) Company Inc. has other locations in Canada.

Matthew Rose responds that the Kenny U-Pull Division of AIM has twenty-five locations in Canada and there will be eleven in Ontario if this request is approved.

In response to a question asked by Councillor Costante regarding zoning, C. Robertson responds that the area is a manufacturing district and is zoned industrial.

Moved by Councillor Kaschak, seconded by Councillor Costante,  
**WLC 5/2022** That the application for a Salvage Yard submitted by Mr. Herbert Black of American Iron & Metal Company Inc. o/a Kenny U-Pull – Windsor, 200 Sprucewood Avenue, Windsor **BE APPROVED** with the following conditions:

- The applicant submit to and pass an inspection by the City of Windsor's Pollution Control Department;
- The applicant submit to and pass an inspection by the City of Windsor's By-law Enforcement Unit;
- The wrecking of automobiles be permitted on the licensed premises.

Carried.

## 8. Reports & Administrative Matters

### (a) Expired Application(s) for Business Licence

In response to a question asked by Councillor Kaschak regarding if there has been any change in the status of these applications, C. Robertson responds that some businesses have resubmitted applications as they would have expired due to negligence of the licensee.

Moved by Councillor Costante, seconded by Councillor Kaschak,  
That the report of the Deputy Licence Commissioner dated November 2, 2022 entitled "Expired Application(s) for Business Licence" **BE RECEIVED**.

Carried.

**9. Confirm and Ratify E-mail Polls**

**9(a)** That the following motion **BE CONFIRMED AND RATIFIED:**

Moved by Councillor Costante, seconded by Councillor Kaschak,

**WLC 6/2022** That the transfer of Taxicab Plate #18 from 2196935 Ontario Limited to Mr. Ahmed Al-Kaisi BE APPROVED with the following conditions:

- i. Mr. Al-Kaisi be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a vehicle for inspection that complies with Schedule 5 to By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018), including a valid safety standards certificate.
- ii. Mr. Al-Kaisi be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a Taxicab Plate Holder application and pay the associated fee.
- iii. Mr. Al-Kaisi be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to provide verification that full compensation has been made to 2196935 Ontario Limited in consideration of the transfer of Taxicab plate #18.
- iv. Mr. Al-Kaisi shall not lease Taxicab plate #18 for a one year period as stated in Schedule 5, Section 21.3 of Licensing By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018).

Carried.

**9(b)** That the following motion **BE CONFIRMED AND RATIFIED:**

Moved by Councillor Kaschak, seconded by Councillor Costante,

**WLC 7/2022** That the transfer of Taxicab Plate #121 from Mr. Mohammed Abdul Hamid Khan to Mr. Md Wares Khan BE APPROVED with the following conditions:

- i. Mr. Md Wares Khan be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a vehicle for inspection that complies with Schedule 5 to By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018), including a valid safety standards certificate.
- ii. Mr. Md Wares Khan be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a Taxicab Plate Holder application and pay the associated fee.
- iii. Mr. Md Wares Khan be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to provide verification that full compensation has been made to Mr. Mohammed Abdul Hamid Khan in consideration of the transfer of Taxicab plate #121.
- iv. Mr. Md Wares Khan shall not lease Taxicab plate #121 for a one year period as stated in Schedule 5, Section 21.3 of Licensing By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018).

Carried.

**10. In Camera**

No In Camera session is held.

**11. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

**12. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 9:47 o'clock a.m.

**CHAIR**

**COMMITTEE COORDINATOR**



**Windsor Licensing Commission Report: ACLT/14511**

**Reference:**

Date to Commission: March 29, 2023

Author: Craig Robertson

Report Date: January 4, 2023

To: Windsor Licensing Commission

**Applicant/Licensee:**

Mr. Mohammed Akhtar  
2328 Longfellow Avenue  
Windsor, ON N9B 3J8  
Transferor

and

Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie  
1333 Benjamin Avenue  
Windsor, ON N8X 4M8  
Transferee

**Licence Category:**

Taxicab Plate Holder  
Licence # 22 132701

**Hearing Particulars:**

Approve application with Conditions – Transfer of Taxicab Plate #219

**Appended Materials:**

- Copy of application from plate holder requesting transfer, being Appendix “A”
- Copy of application for plate transfer, transferee application, being Appendix “B”
- Proof of full-time employment status for Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie, being Appendix “C”



**Licence Commissioner's Comments:**

The attached applications were received by the Licensing Division from Mr. Mohammed Akhtar, Plate Holder of Taxicab Plate #219, and from Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie for the prospective transfer of Taxicab Plate #219.

**Regulatory Authority:**

Schedule 5, Part VII, Section 20.1 through 20.4 of Licensing By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018) states:

“20.1 Except as approved by the Licensing Commission, a taxicab plate holder may not transfer a taxicab plate and associated taxicab plate holder licence for a period of at least five (5) years from the date of issue of the licence.

20.2 No taxicab plate holder licence shall be transferred without the approval of the Licensing Commission.

20.3 No taxicab plate holder licence shall be transferred until the person to whom the transfer is to be made has first received approval from the Licence Commissioner as a licensee.

20.4 Subject to the restrictions herein, taxicab plates numbered 001 to 224 are transferable, provided that:

- (a) the transferee satisfies the eligibility criteria for inclusion on the Drivers' List;
- (b) the transferee signs a form of statutory declaration prescribed by the Licence Commissioner;
- (c) the transferor has completed a written application for the transfer in the prescribed form;
- (d) the transferee satisfies the requirements of a taxicab plate holder under this By-law, including submitting for inspection the taxicab to which the plate will be affixed;
- (e) the transferee pays all fees required under this By-law;

and the transferee will receive a taxicab plate holder licence at the time of transfer of the taxicab plate.”

Further, Section 21.3 states:

“A taxicab or taxicab wheelchair accessible vehicle plate holder who has held a licence for a minimum of one (1) year may lease the taxicab or taxicab wheelchair accessible vehicle licence on a daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis provided that:

- (h) the lessee is licensed by the City of Windsor as a taxicab driver;
- (b) all weekly, monthly or yearly leases are filed with and approved by the Licence Commissioner and shall be subject to such terms and conditions the Licence Commissioner may require;

## Item No. 6(a)

- (c) the amount charged under the lease shall be a fair fee as approved by the Licence Commissioner and no additional charges shall be made against the lessee;
- (d) the lease agreement shall include a statement that the leasing agreement is considered null and void in the event that the lessor or lessee, either by written or verbal agreement, sub-leases the taxicab or taxicab wheelchair accessible vehicle or transfers responsibility for the operation of the taxicab or taxicab wheelchair accessible vehicle to a third party;
- (e) the lease agreement shall contain a clearly-stated right of the lessor and lessee to early termination of the lease;
- (f) where the lessee is a corporation, the lessee shall, at the time at which the lease is filed with the Licence Commissioner in accordance with the provision of this section, file with the Licence Commissioner a form supplied by the Licence Commissioner and a copy of the lessee's articles of incorporation, amendment or amalgamation; and,
- (g) the lease term shall be a minimum of twelve (12) months and a maximum of twenty-four (24) months."

### **Background:**

The following is the chronology of events as it relates to the licence transfer request:

- December 12, 2022, transfer application and fee for taxicab plate #219 was submitted by Mr. Mohammed Akhtar, being Appendix "A"
- December 12, 2022, transferee application and proof of full-time status as a taxicab driver for Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie was submitted, being Appendices "B" and "C".

### **Summary:**

According to the AMANDA database, Mr. Mohammed Akhtar has been the plate holder of taxicab plate #219 annually since 2015 and is therefore compliant with Section 20.1 to Public Vehicle Licensing By-Law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018).

It is being requested that Taxicab Plate #219 be transferred to Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie, who is currently not a licensed plate holder. Although Mr. Al-Shaibie does not hold a current place on the Drivers' List, he has provided proof that he has been employed as a full-time taxicab driver since April 2019, which satisfies the requirements of Section 20.4(a) of Schedule 5.

Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie must provide:

- (a) Verification of an appropriate vehicle to which he will affix taxicab plate #219, including a valid safety standards certificate;
- (b) A completed Plate Holder application and pay the associated fee;

(c) Verification that full compensation has been made to Mr. Mohammed Akhtar in consideration of the transfer of taxicab plate #219

**Recommendation:**

To the Windsor Licensing Commission for decision on the following:

**THAT** the transfer of Taxicab Plate #219 from Mr. Mohammed Akhtar to Mr. Nasr Al-Shaibie **BE APPROVED** with the following conditions:

- i. Mr. Al-Shaibie be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a vehicle for inspection that complies with Schedule 5 to By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018), including a valid safety standards certificate.
- ii. Mr. Al-Shaibie be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to submit a Taxicab Plate Holder application and pay the associated fee.
- iii. Mr. Al-Shaibie be given thirty (30) days from the date of the approval to provide verification that full compensation has been made to Mr. Mohammed Akhtar in consideration of the transfer of Taxicab plate #219.
- iv. Mr. Al-Shaibie shall not lease Taxicab plate #219 for a one year period as stated in Schedule 5, Section 21.3 of Licensing By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018).



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TAXICAB PLATE TRANSFER  
TRANSFEROR

PLATE TRANSFER FEE	\$400.00
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Pursuant to Public Vehicle Licensing Bylaw 137-2007, Schedule 5, Section 20 "Transfer of Licences Issued Prior to the Passing of this By-law (Plate #001 to 224 inclusive)", please be advised that I am the Plateholder of the City of Windsor Taxicab Plate No. 219 and I wish to transfer my plate in accordance with Bylaw 137-2007. I am currently licenced as a Plateholder with respect to the operation of the following vehicle:

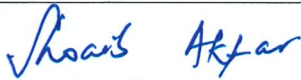
YEAR: 2016

MAKE &amp; MODEL: Hyundai Elantra

VIN: KMHDH4AE7GU569731

COMPANY NAME: Vets Cab

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

NAME: Mohammed Akhtar			
SIGNATURE: 			
ADDRESS: 2328 LONGFELLOW AVENUE, WINDSOR, N9B 3J8			
CITY: Windsor	POSTAL CODE: N9B 3J8	HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:

- By making this application for transfer, I hereby acknowledge that the transfer is not complete until approved by the Windsor Licensing Commission.

## NOTICE WITH RESPECT TO COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

I acknowledge that the information requested on this form and any appendices attached is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, City of Windsor Act and City of Windsor Public Vehicle By-law 137-2007 and will be maintained in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The information is required in order to process, issue, monitor, regulate and investigate the various licenses issued by the Windsor Licensing Commission. The name is public information. Any other personal information collected will only be used for investigative purposes. Questions about this collection can be made to the Deputy Licence Commissioner, 350 City Hall Square West, Room 203, Windsor, ON N9A 6S1 / (519) 255-6200, Option 1.

12/12/2022  
DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

  
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

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STAFF INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

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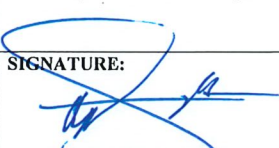
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## TAXICAB PLATE TRANSFER TRANSFEREE

Pursuant to Public Vehicle Licensing By law #137-2007, Schedule 5, Section 20 "Transfer of Licences Issued Prior to the Passing of this By-law (Plate #001 to 224 inclusive)", please be advised that I am interested in receiving City of Windsor taxicab plate No. 219 and I have reached an agreement with the current plateholder.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

NAME (PRINT CLEARLY): <b>NASR AL-SHAIBIE</b>			
SIGNATURE: 			
ADDRESS: <b>1333 BENJAMIN AVENUE,</b>			
CITY: <b>Windsor</b>	POSTAL CODE: <b>N8X 4M8</b>	HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:

By making this application for transfer:

- I hereby declare that I satisfy the eligibility criteria for inclusion on the Drivers' List.
- I hereby acknowledge that the transfer is not complete until approved by the Windsor Licensing Commission.

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12/12/2022  
DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

  
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

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Appendix "C"

DIVISION OF WINDSOR AIRLINE LIMOUSINE SERVICES LIMITED

Date: 12-6-2022.

To: The Corporation of the City of Windsor  
Office of the City Clerk  
Policy, Gaming and Licensing

**SUBJECT: Driver's List Application**

**APPLICANT:** NASR AL-SHAIBÉ.

**Taxi License No:** 22-134887.

This letter will serve to introduce the above captioned dependent contractor who has been signed on with WALS o/a Veteran Cab since, APRIL 2019., and has worked at lease 35 hours per week for 40 weeks in a year prior to this application. C

At this writing the company is not aware of any outstanding charges or convictions against the named driver under By-law 137-2007 (amended by By-law) 150-2018.

If further information is required, please feel free to contact me at 519-256-1868 Ext 226.

Kind regards,

Vets Cab Company,

Lori Bastien

Administrative Assistant

CHERYL CLARK.

GENERAL MANAGER

**Subject: Taxicab Industry's Proposal for Meter Increase - City Wide**

**Reference:**

Date to Commission:

Author: Craig Robertson

Deputy Licence Commissioner

519-255-6100 ext. 6869

crobertson@citywindsor.ca

Policy, Gaming, Licensing & By-Law Enforcement

Report Date January 21, 2023

Clerk's File #:

**To:** Windsor Licensing Commission

**Recommendation:**

That the Windsor Licensing Commission **APPROVE** one of the following options as it relates to taxicab meter tariffs:

1. THAT the existing taxicab meter rate and tariffs **BE REAFFIRMED**; or
2. THAT the current taxicab meter rate and tariffs **BE INCREASED** based on the proposal submitted by Vets Cab and Unifor Local 195 (attached as Appendix 'A') to the following:

Drop Rate - \$4.25

Distance Increment - \$0.25 cents/64 meters

Waiting Time (passenger conveyance) - \$30.00/hr

Waiting Time (services for board of education) - \$2.50

Cross Border Fees – meter rate, \$12.00 CAN or \$9.00 US, plus tolls between Windsor & Detroit

And further,

THAT Appendix "A" of Schedule 5 to Public Vehicle Licensing By-law No. 137-2007 (as amended by By-law No. 150-2018) **BE AMENDED** accordingly if there are changes to the City's current taxicab meter rate and tariffs.

## **Executive Summary:**

N/A

## **Background:**

On July 18, 2022, Licensing Administration was in receipt of a proposal submitted jointly by Vets Cab and Unifor Local 195 for an increase to the City's taxicab meter rate and tariffs charged to the consumer.

Section 151 and 150 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provide that a local municipality may licence, regulate and govern any business wholly or partly carried on within the municipality even if the business is being carried on from a location outside the municipality.

Subsection 156(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provide that a local municipality, in a by-law under section 151 (Licensing Powers) of the Act with respect to the owners and drivers of taxicabs, may,

- (a) Establish the rates or fares to be charged for the conveyance of property or passengers either wholly within the municipality or from any point in the municipality to any point outside the municipality;
- (b) Provide for the collection of the rates or fares charged for the conveyance; and
- (c) Limit the number of taxicabs or any class of them.

The City of Windsor licences and regulates the municipality's taxicab brokers, drivers and vehicles (including wheelchair accessible) through Schedule 5 of Public Vehicle Licensing By-law No. 137-2007 (as amended by By-law No. 150-2018). The Schedule prescribes the tariff charges and meter rates in which the industry is permitted to charge the consumer. In addition, the licensing schedule permits the taxicab industry to surcharge or discount a taxicab fare provided that rates are previously filed with the Licence Commissioner in advance.

Requests to review or increase municipal taxicab meter rates is traditionally initiated by taxicab industries as a result of increased operating costs to provide public transportation services. This is a standard practice in place for municipal regulators across the Province. It should be noted that the last increase to the City of Windsor's taxicab meter rate was in 2015.

## **Discussion:**

Taxicab meter rate and tariff reviews are conducted by utilizing the Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index in conjunction with a taxi cost index which factors in components such as driver earnings, fuel costs, fleet vehicle maintenance, stand rents and the amortized cost of vehicles and dispatch equipment.



As previously mentioned, Management of Vets Cab and Unifor Local 195 (representing a large population of the City's taxicab drivers), submitted a proposal (attached as Appendix 'A') to Licensing Administration to review the current taxicab meter rate and consider amending Windsor's current licensing by-law due to rising operating costs to provide public transportation to the community.

Based on the stakeholder submission utilizing both index tables, the taxicab industry has experienced an operational impact of 24% to date since the last meter rate increase in 2015. The taxi industry has recognized that a 24% increase to the meter rate and tariffs would be detrimental to taxicab operations and the consumer, therefore a proposal for a 12% increase to the meter rate has been submitted for consideration. Table 1 below outlines the proposed increase to the current meter rate and tariffs governed under the City's Public Vehicle Licensing By-law.

*Table 1 - Current vs. Proposed Taxicab Meter Rates & Tariffs*

<b>TARIFF</b>	<b>CURRENT RATE</b>	<b>PROPOSED RATE</b>
First 105 meters (starting rate)	\$3.80	<b>\$4.25</b>
Each additional 64 meters (thereafter)	\$0.10	<b>\$0.25</b>
Waiting time per hour (passenger conveyance)	\$27.00	<b>\$30.00</b>
Waiting time (services to board of education or contract tender)	\$2.00	<b>\$2.50</b>
Cross Border Fares	meter rate + \$10.00 CAN or \$8.00 US, plus tolls between Windsor & Detroit	<b>meter rate + \$12.00 CAN or \$9.00 US, plus tolls between Windsor &amp; Detroit</b>

Although taxicab meter rates are determined based on local data, Licensing Administration conducted a review of comparable municipalities. As a result of the data collected from those discussions, Administration determined that the City of Windsor's current taxicab rates are on the lower end of the spectrum and that the proposed increase is reasonable compared to the municipalities researched. Table 2 presents a comparison of taxicab meter rates and average trip costs provided by the individual municipalities analyzed.

*Table 2 – Comparison of Drop/Base Rates and Cost for Trips by Distance*

<b>MUNICIPALITY</b>	<b>DROP/BASE RATE</b>	<b>COST 10KM TRIP</b>	<b>COST 15KM TRIP</b>
Brampton	\$4.25 first 141 m	\$21.73	\$30.60
Kingston	\$4.25 first 135 m	\$21.73	\$30.60
Mississauga	\$4.25 first 141 m	\$21.73	\$30.60
Hamilton	\$3.90 first 71.4 m	\$21.76	\$30.75

Oakville	\$4.50 first 130 m	\$23.48	\$33.10
London (Ont.)	\$3.50 first 57 m	\$23.88	\$33.88
Ottawa	\$3.80 first 150 m	\$24.42	\$34.88
Saskatoon	\$3.25 first 125 m	\$24.85	\$35.53
Sarnia	\$4.79 base	\$34.12	\$48.79
<b>Windsor - CURRENT</b>	<b>\$3.80 first 105 m</b>	<b>\$19.26</b>	<b>\$27.07</b>
<b>Windsor - PROPOSAL</b>	<b>\$4.25 first 105 m</b>	<b>\$22.38</b>	<b>\$30.32</b>

It should be noted that within the taxicab industry's submission that there was a request to add a \$5.00 surcharge for "van service". Licensing Administration conducted a review of the licensed fleet vehicle inventory and determined that a significant majority of the fleet vehicles would be eligible to apply this surcharge. Administration is of the opinion that this additional surcharge would be an unjust tariff to the riding public and consumer. Administration discussed this matter with the stakeholders and there is consensus to disregard this request.

### **Risk Analysis:**

There are no direct risks to the Corporation of the City of Windsor by increasing taxicab meter rates or tariffs. The taxicab industry could receive an initial or slight decline in ridership as a result of a meter and tariff increase however, the industry traditionally recovers based on consumer demand for public transportation services.

### **Financial Matters:**

There are no direct financial implications to the Corporation of the City of Windsor by increasing taxicab meter rates and tariffs.

### **Consultations:**

Vets Cab Administration  
 Unifor Local 195 Leadership  
 Canadian Checker Cab Administration  
 Various Municipalities (outlined in report)

### **Conclusion:**

The City's taxicab meter rates and tariffs have not been reviewed or increased since 2015. Based on the taxicab industry's submission, Administration supports an increase to the taxi meter rate and tariffs being proposed and amending By-law No. 137-2007 (as amended by By-law No. 150-2018) to read as follows:

<b>TARIFF</b>	<b>PROPOSED RATE</b>
First 105 meters	<b>\$4.25</b>



(starting rate)	
Each additional 64 meters (thereafter)	<b>\$0.25</b>
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Cross Border Fares	<b>meter rate + \$12.00 CAN or \$9.00 US, plus tolls between Windsor &amp; Detroit</b>

If the Windsor Licensing Commission approves the recommendation, this report would then go to Standing Committee and ultimately to City Council for consideration. If approved by Council, a by-law amendment would then be prepared. Once the by-law is formally amended, the taxicab industry would be required to apply the new meter rate and tariffs when providing taxicab services.



Craig Robertson  
Deputy Licence Commissioner & Acting Senior Manager of Policy, Gamin, Licensing & By-law Enforcement



Steve Vlachodimos  
City Clerk/Licence Commissioner



Shelby Askin-Hager  
Commissioner of Legal & Legislative Services & City Solicitor

**Notifications:**

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**Appendices:**

Appendix "A"



July 18, 2022

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**Attention: Mr. C. Robertson**

POLICY GAMING & LICENSING

**Senior Manager of Policy  
Gaming, Licencing & By-Law Enforcement**

Dear Craig,

After considerable deliberations, we at Vets Cab and Unifor Local 195 representing taxi industry participants: taxicab drivers, taxicab brokerage and plate holders have deemed it necessary to request a tariff increase to keep pace with rising industry costs.

In 2015 a rate increase was granted based on an adjustment for H.S.T. The operational cost of all industry participants continues to grow year over year. We have reached a point where we need to adjust the rates charged for our services. **An overall adjustment of approximately 12% to the total taxicab fare, an additional \$3.00 for waiting time and a surcharge of \$5.00 for van service when requested.**

### **The Tariff Charges, Taxicabs by Distance**

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| 1. For the first one hundred & five (105) meters   | \$4.25  |
| 2. For each additional one hundred & forty-two (142) meters and any portion thereof  | \$.25   |
| 3. (a) For waiting time under engagement for each hour when Taxicab vehicle is being used for passenger conveyance.  | \$30.00 |
| (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of the above, charges for waiting time when rendering service to Boards of Education, or making deliveries of parcels merchandise and providing services under contract awarded by tender, shall be | \$2.50  |

### **Cross Boarder Taxicab Fares**

**Taxicab Drivers shall charge the meter rate plus a \$12.00 Canadian or \$9.00 U.S. cross border fee plus tolls between Windsor and Detroit.**



To support our joint request, we have referenced: Statistics Canada Table 8-10-0004-07 Consumer Price Index, monthly, percentage change, not seasonally adjusted, Canada, Provinces, Whitehorse, and Yellowknife – Transportation. Using data for the province of Ontario and comparing a year over year assessment (2015 - 2022) of this index in the months of December, we have observed the following: The general Transportation Index has increased over 33%.

In previous tariff reviews a taxi cost index has been utilized. The index considers these industry components: Earning-All Drivers, Fuel, (Stand Rent, Licences, Union Dues), (Amortized Cost of Vehicles, Dispatch Equipment), (Routine Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance).

Utilizing Statistics Canada Table 18-10-0004-07 Consumer Price Index, Industry Rates (Exhibit No. 1) Current Licencing Fees and Wages Data (Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0206-01 Transportation and Warehousing) We have compiled the impact to the taxi industry index.

The index chart indicates our industry has experienced an operational impact of 24% through the period of 2015 to 2022.

We have also reviewed taxi tariff rates charged in some Ontario cities (Exhibit No. 2) which clearly indicates our current tariff rates are lagging.

Craig, this is a difficult decision to make, and we understand how it affects our customers, therefore, we thank you for your ongoing support in considering processing this request and trust that these changes will help us continue providing Windsor's riding public with premium transportation services.

Kind regards,

Vets Cab

Chuck Clark

General Manager

Unifor Local 195

Marwan Abou-Zeeni

Chairperson

Attachments (2)

# Exhibit No. 1

## Taxi Cost Index

	Index Components	Increase From May 2015-2022	Impact to Index
Earnings- All Drivers	53%	9.5	5.0
Fuel	19%	77	14.6
Stand Rent	11%	10.2	1.1
Amortized Cost of Vehicles, Radio & Equipment	7%	25.6	1.8
Insurance	6%	10.1	0.6
Routine Repairs, Maintenance	4%	18.8	0.8

100%

23.9 %

## EXHIBIT NO. 2

	Flag/Start	Initial Distance Covered (Meter)	Cost/ Increment	Increment (meter)	Wait Time Cost Per Hour	5 Km Trip Distance Only
Barrie	\$3.25	100	\$0.25	100.0	\$30.00	\$15.50
Hamilton	\$3.90	72.1	\$0.13	72.1	\$33.43	\$12.79
Kitchener	\$3.50		\$2.30	1,000.0	\$35.00	\$15.00
London	\$3.50	57	\$0.25	130.0	\$34.62	\$13.01
Sudbury	\$4.25	86	\$0.25	86.0	\$45.00	\$18.53
Mississauga	\$4.25	141	\$0.25	141.0	\$30.00	\$12.87
Toronto	\$3.25	143	\$0.25	143.0	\$36.00	\$11.74
Windsor	\$3.80	105	\$0.10	64.0	\$27.00	\$11.40
Windsor UberX	\$6.35		\$1.10 & \$.25 Per Minute	1,000.0	\$15.00	\$11.85





**Windsor Licensing Commission Report: n/a**

**Reference:**

Date to Commission: February

Author: Craig Robertson, Deputy Licence Commissioner

Report Date: March 3, 2023

To: Windsor Licensing Commission

**Subject:**

Expired Application(s) for Business Licence

**Background:**

Various business licence application(s) are submitted to the Licensing Division annually for either the renewal of a licence or for a new business.

Section 3.20 of Business Licensing By-law 395-2004 states:

**“3.20 Licence – application deemed expired**

Any business licence application that has not received approvals from all municipal or provincial departments or agencies as the Licence Commissioner deems necessary within 60 days from the date of the filing of the application, because of the applicant’s inability to comply with the requirements to become licensed, shall be deemed to have expired unless the application is referred to the Windsor Licensing Commission under section 3.28 of this by-law.”

And Section 11 of Part III – General Provisions of the Public Vehicle Licensing By-Law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018) states:

“Any application which has not received approvals from all municipal or provincial departments or agencies as the Licence Commissioner deems necessary within sixty (60) days from the date of filing the application, shall be deemed to have expired because of the applicant’s inability to comply with the requirements to become licenced, unless the application is referred to the Licensing Commission for determination.

**Discussion:**

An application for a business licence was submitted by the following:

- **Shun Ng o/a Genki House**  
4045 Seminole Street, Windsor, ON N8Y 4W4  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on November 23, 2022
- **14048601 Canada Inc. o/a Cup or Cone**  
4320 Howard Avenue, Windsor, ON N9G 1P4  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on August 23, 2022
- **Pirate City Inc.**  
530 Pelissier Street, Windsor, ON N9A 4L1  
Body Modification submitted on September 16, 2022
- **Rival Tastes Restaurants Inc.**  
425 Tecumseh Road West, Windsor, ON N8X 1G6  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on March 22, 2022
- **EZY Mode Inc. o/a EZY Mode/Nighthawk Eatery**  
943 Ottawa Street, Windsor, ON N8X 2E2  
Hospitality Food/Liquor Service submitted on October 25, 2022
- **2619884 Ontario Inc. o/a Sugar Marmalade**  
2020 Wyandotte Street West, Windsor, ON N9B 1J7  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on March 9, 2022
- **St. George's Romanian Orthodox Cathedral**  
1960 Tecumseh Road East, Windsor, ON N8W 1E1  
Public Hall submitted on June 15, 2022
- **2521676 Ontario Inc. o/a Sammy's Pizza**  
2999 Tecumseh Road East, Windsor, ON N8W 1G6  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on August 9, 2022
- **Starbucks Coffee Canada Inc.**  
1690 Huron Church Road, Windsor, ON N9C 2L1  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on February 25, 2022
- **Red Lounge Inc. o/a Chatham Street Diner**  
39 Chatham Street East, Windsor, ON N9A 2W2  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on June 30, 2022
- **Windsor Eats Inc.**  
3-400 Erie Street East, Windsor, ON N9A 3X4  
Hospitality Food/Liquor Service submitted on November 2, 2022
- **2635500 Ontario Incorporated o/a The Chelsea TB**  
576 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor, ON N9A 4B6  
Hospitality Food/Liquor Service submitted on August 3, 2022
- **Shudh Indian Flavors Inc.**  
2924 McRobbie Road, Windsor, ON N8R 0A7  
Hospitality Food Service submitted on August 26, 2022
- **Ver-N-Mouth Inc.**  
333 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor, ON N9A 4J1  
Hospitality Liquor/Food Service submitted on March 9, 2022

- **La Maison Lodging House Inc.**  
1214 Drouillard Road, Windsor, ON N8Y 2R3  
Lodging House, Class 1, submitted on January 31, 2022

The above mentioned applications have been pending for more than 60 days, and the applicant has not complied with the requirements of Business Licensing By-law 395-2004 and/or Public Vehicle Licensing By-Law 137-2007 (amended by By-law 150-2018).

**Conclusion:**

The application(s) listed above shall be deemed to have expired.



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Craig Robertson  
Deputy Licence Commissioner & Acting Senior Manager  
of Policy, Gaming, Licensing & By-law Enforcement