



MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL **DATE:** OCTOBER 1, 2018

FROM: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION **FILE NO:** 4320-01

SUBJECT: TAXI LICENCE AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise Mayor and Council of a request received from Aldergrove Langley Taxi Ltd. to amend their existing Passenger Transportation Licence to add additional licences.

Aldergrove Langley Taxi Ltd. has held a valid Business Licence to operate within the Township of Langley since 1998 (Attachment A). They are requesting an amendment to their existing Passenger Transportation Licence to add additional licences (Attachment B). They are requesting to add four additional vehicles to their fleet, which will service three Municipalities including the Township of Langley. The Passenger Transportation Board requires that the applicant send their request to all Municipalities where they are licenced to provide for an opportunity for those Municipalities to comment.

Taxi and Limousine services are provincially regulated by the Passenger Transportation Board who administer and enforce the *Passenger Transportation Act* to protect public interest and safety. As per the Township's Licencing Policy No. 07-406 (Attachment C), the Township may issue business licences to companies or individuals who wish to provide service only within the boundaries of the Township upon verification of a Passenger Transportation Licence.

Section 3.3.1 of the Township's Licencing Policy No. 07-406 states that upon receipt of written notice of an application before the Board and any related documentation (collectively, the "Application"), Council may do one or more of the following:

- a) receive the Application for informational purposes;
- b) comment upon the Application; and
- c) refer the Application to Township staff for further consideration or action.

Furthermore, Section 3.3.2 of the Township's Licencing Policy No. 07-406 states that without fettering Council's discretion to do so in a specific case, Council will generally not comment upon an Application.

Unless specified, the Licence Inspector will send the information to the Passenger Transportation Board without recommendation or endorsement; stating that the request had been received and was being forwarded for Passenger Transportation Board consideration.

Attachment A Passenger Transportation Board Application
 Attachment B Township of Langley Business Licence
 Attachment C Licencing Policy No. 07-406

Municipal Notice | Additional Taxi Applications PT Board Form 4-S

About this form:

The form has 2 pages. It must be completed by licensees applying to add more taxis to their fleet under the Board's taxi modernization actions.

Licensees must:

- (a) send completed forms to each municipality where they are licensed or seek a licence to pick up passengers, and
- (b) include copies of completed forms in their application package.

Note: The Passenger Transportation Board sends applicants a copy of any negative comments it receives from a municipality. Applicants have an opportunity to comment.

NOTICE

To: Chief Administrative Officer

Township Of Langley

Sept 20/2018

Name of Municipality

Date

Please be advised that the Licensee or entity listed on page 2 of this Notice is applying to the Passenger Transportation Board to increase its fleet size by up to 15%. This notice is an application requirement.

Note: The PT Board is providing for taxi companies with a small number of vehicles to obtain an additional plate. This includes licensees with 3 taxis or less who jointly apply for a vehicle and who operate in the same municipality.

Allowing taxi companies to increase fleets by up to 15% is a short term action that the Board is implementing in response to the Report on Modernizing Taxi Regulations recommended in a report by Hara and Associates. (See article in the Compass Sept 5, 2018)

A municipality may send comments about **this application or taxi services in general** to the Passenger Transportation Board by:

Fax: (250) 953-3788

E-mail: ptboard@gov.bc.ca

We recommend that municipalities comment **within 5 days** of receipt of this notice.

The Board will publish applications received in in our "Weekly Bulletin

(<http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/ptb/bulletins.htm>)."

There is a 5 day submission or comment period Bulletins are published on Wednesdays

To confirm whether the comment period is still open, municipal representatives can call the Board office at 250-953-3777 or email ptboard@gov.bc.ca.

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LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Licensee

Legal Name: Aldergrove- Langley Taxi Ltd.

Trade Name: _____

PT Licence Number: 70614

Operating Area (check one)

☐ I operate in this municipality Langley and Abbotsford.

My total originating area is: Langley and Abbotsford.

Fleet Size

What is the maximum number of taxis you can operate in this municipality now?

29

How many accessible taxis do you operate in this municipality now?

5

How many taxis do you want to operate in this municipality?

33

How many taxis will be wheelchair accessible taxis?

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BUSINESS LICENCE

THIS CERTIFIES THAT:

BUSINESS & MAILING ADDRESS:
ALDERGROVE LANGLEY TAXI LTD
19756 56 AVE
LANGLEY BC V3A 3X6

ACCOUNT NO: **1005606**
LICENCE NO: **40832**

BUSINESS LOCATION:
OUT OF TOWN

ISSUED DATE: **Dec 04, 2017**
EXPIRES ON: **Dec 02, 2018**

LICENCEE:
ALDERGROVE LANGLEY TAXI LTD
19756 56 AVE
LANGLEY BC V3A 3X6

CONDITIONS:
NON RESIDENT

is hereby licensed to carry on in a lawful manner the business of:

TAXI SERVICE

For information on Business Licencing in the Township of Langley
Please call the Permit, Licence & Inspection Services Department
Phone: 604.533.6018 Fax: 604.533.6182

This Licence must be displayed in a prominent location in the place of business.
This licence is non-transferable and must be renewed annually.

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Subject: Licencing

Policy No: 07-406
Previous Policy No's: 07-610
 07-611
 07-612
Approved by Council: 04-25-2016
Revised by Council: 05-30-2016

1.1 General

- ## 1.2 Police Record Checks

- 1.2.1 In accordance with section 4.1(5) of Licensing Bylaw 2016, No. 5192 (the “**Licensing Bylaw**”), every Licence Application must expressly authorize the Licence Inspector to obtain a police record check for the owner of the Business.
- 1.2.2 This policy prescribes the circumstances in which the Licence Inspector will obtain a police record check for the owner of a Business.

1.3.1 In accordance with section 11.4 of the Licencing Bylaw, every person who operates a Commercial Passenger Vehicle in the Township of Langley must comply with the *Passenger Transportation Act*, SBC 2004, c 39, its regulations and the Licencing Bylaw.

- 1.3.2.1 General Passenger Vehicles (e.g. tour buses and large charter buses);

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1.3.2.3 Inter-City Buses.

1.3.3 Any person who wishes to operate a Commercial Passenger Vehicle in British Columbia must obtain a passenger transportation licence to do so. In addition:

1.3.3.1 any person who wishes to operate a General Passenger Vehicle must obtain a general authorization from the Registrar of Passenger Transportation to do so; and

1.3.3.2 any person who wishes to operate a Passenger Directed Vehicle or an Inter-City Bus must obtain a special authorization from the Passenger Transportation Board (the “**Board**”) to do so.

1.3.4 A person who has been issued a special authorization to operate a Passenger Directed Vehicle must charge the rates that are approved by the Board.

1.3.5 A person who has been issued a special authorization to operate an Inter-City Bus must operate the routes approved by the Board, at a minimum route frequency approved by the Board.

1.3.6 The Board requires that:

1.3.6.1 taxi operators who submit an application to the Board to change their rates must provide written notice of their application to local governments that will be affected by the proposed change of rates; and

1.3.6.2 Inter-City Bus operators who submit an application to the Board for a route reduction or minimum route frequency reduction must provide written notice of their application to local governments that will be affected by the proposed route reduction or minimum route frequency reduction.

1.3.7 This policy defines the scope of Council's involvement in applications before the Board of which the Township receives notice.

2. **Related Bylaws**

2.1 Licencing Bylaw 2016, No. 5192.

3. **Policy**

3.1 **Definitions**

3.1.1 In this Policy, capitalized terms have the meanings ascribed to them in the Licencing Bylaw or the *Passenger Transportation Act* and its regulations, as applicable.

3.2 **Police Record Checks**

3.2.1 The Licence Inspector will obtain a police record check for:

- 3.2.1.1 the owner of a type of Business listed in Schedule “A” of this policy; and
- 3.2.1.2 the owner of any other type of Business for which the Licence Inspector reasonably believes a police record check is required.

3.3 **Commercial Passenger Vehicles**

- 3.3.1 Upon receipt of written notice of an application before the Board and any related documentation (collectively, the “**Application**”), Council may do one or more of the following:
 - 3.3.1.1 receive the Application for informational purposes;
 - 3.3.1.2 comment upon the Application; and
 - 3.3.1.3 refer the Application to Township staff for further consideration or action.
- 3.3.2 Without fettering Council’s discretion to do so in a specific case, Council will generally not comment upon an Application.

3.4 **Repeal**

- 3.4.1 Policy No. 07-610 [Business Licencing], Policy No. 07-611 [Business Licensing: Application Referral to RCMP], and Policy No. 07-612 [Business Licence –Taxi & Limousine Service are repealed in their entirety.

Schedule A

Type of business for which a police record check is required
Arcades
Auto Brokers
Auto Wreckers
Billiard Parlours
Bowling Alleys
Canvassers
Comic Book Stores
Community Care Facilities/Day Cares
Dance Schools
Driving School
Gymnastic Facilities
Independent Candy Stores & Corner Stores
Junk Dealer
Martial Arts
Passenger Directed Vehicle
Pawn Brokers
Pool Halls
Private Investigator
Pubs
Riding Stables
Salvage Yards
Second Hand Dealers
Security
Skip Tracing
Sports Card Stores
Taxi
Teacher
Teen Entertainment
Towing Companies
Toy Shops