

Agenda: Item 3

Allowing Newly Issued Hybrid or Alternative Fuel Taxi Restricted Permits to be Used Alternatively in Ramped Taxis. [ACTION]



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At the meeting of the Taxicab Commission on Tuesday, November 27, 2007 the following resolution and findings were adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-XX

ALLOWING PERMITS RESTRICTED TO HYBRID OR ALTERNATIVE FUEL OR LOW-EMISSION VEHICLES TO BE USED ALTERNATIVELY IN RAMPED TAXIS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES ARE AVAILABLE THAT QUALIFY FOR LOW-EMISSION STANDARDS.

WHEREAS, at its February 27, 2007 meeting, Taxi Commission approved the issuance of 25 medallions restricted to hybrid or alternative fuel vehicles; and

WHEREAS, during the past year, Taxi Commission has considered a policy restricting all future vehicles to low-emission vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Taxi Commission recognizes the value of low emission vehicles to the city's environment and also recognizes the value of wheelchair accessible taxis to the city's policy on accessibility; and

WHEREAS, when a ramped taxi medallion holder qualifies for a regular medallion, he or she may prefer to continue operating his regular medallion in a ramped vehicle using the regular medallion number; and

WHEREAS, presently, there are no wheelchair accessible vehicles that are also classified as having low emissions; and now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Taxi Commission will allow permits otherwise restricted to hybrid or alternative fuel or low-emission vehicles to be used alternatively in ramped wheelchair accessible taxis until such time as wheelchair accessible vehicles are available that qualify for low-emission standards.

AYES:
ABSENT:

NOES:
RECUSED:

Respectfully Submitted,

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