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Hi Reanne

I am sending you the written submission on behalf of AMTV Owners to be presented in the PVAC meeting to be held on 19th of April, 2022. Can you please forward the copies of this submission to all the committee members, I do not have their email with me. Should you have any concerns please contact me any time by email or phone at [REDACTED]

Thanks in advance

Kulwant Sahsi

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Sent via e-mail to:
PVAC Members – e-mail required.

April 12th, 2022

Dear Committee Chair – Councillor John Kovac,

Re: Recommendations for AMTVs

This letter addresses a series of matters related to concerns expressed by AMTV Owners. We recognize that these matters fall within the City of Mississauga's Public Vehicle Advisory Committee (PVAC).

In the interest of creating more significant industry equity and the promotion of public health and safety, we believe the following recommendations advance these two primary objectives

More specifically, I would like to put forward these recommendations to PVAC members:

1. **To align the driver requirements for AMTV Operators with that of existing Taxi Operators.** There would be a reduced cost burden and regulatory elimination of the Defensive Driving course, Sensitivity Training course, and the English Language Assessment in making this move. These courses amount to roughly \$700 in expenses.
 - These requirements at one time created a high standard but now create an inequity within the industry, imposing a burden and creating a shortage of drivers in this challenging labour market.
2. In addition, **we seek an amendment to the existing By-Law that would allow AMTV licenses to be leased to a third party.** This request is to manage insurance challenges (i.e. costs, ticket burden for owners, etc.), thus creating significant financial hardship. In addition, we believe the move creates equity with the taxi industry and promotes greater public safety.
 - As our AMTV Owners continue to age and encounter a range of health issues naturally and during this unprecedented health crisis, the option to lease to a third party creates an improved environment for operators, consumers, and the public.

Finally, informal discussions have been held to explore the conversion of AMTV Licences to Airport Taxi Licenses. The AMTV Association supports a move like this. It would permit the existing AMTV Licence to convert to a Mississauga Taxi Licence that would be allowed to operate at the airport in the same manner as an AMTV. It is understood that the acquisition of these plates would take place at the AMTV owner's expense through the secondary market.

In conclusion, we believe that the Municipality has a strong reason to support the above recommendations from an equity, cost and public safety perspective. Furthermore, conversations to date with Marina Marchetti, Manager, Ground Transportation Business Development at the Greater Toronto Airport Authority, have indicated no reason to oppose the above recommendations.

I would be pleased to discuss any of the above if you have further questions. I thank you for the timely consideration on these matters.

Sincerely,

AMTV Association
Gurnam Sekhon and Kulwant Sahsi

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