

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	58630	Agenda Number	37.
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Meeting Date:	5/19/2016	Department:	Transportation
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Subject

Approve an ordinance on first reading granting a taxicab franchise to ATX Coop Taxi.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action: Resolution No. 2050521-034.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: May 10, 2016, recommended by the Urban Transportation Commission on a 8/0/1 vote with Commissioner Hosek absent.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

Council directed the City Manager to initiate the process of creating an opportunity for a fourth franchise consistent with a driver-owner cooperative model. Resolution No. 20150521-034 directed the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) to provide recommendations on the projected timeline, scope and number of permits for bids of a new franchise.

In accordance with the direction provided, ATD advertised for bids for a period of 30 days. At the close of this period, two bids were received, one from ATX Coop Taxi and one from Go Green Cab, LLC. Due to the cooperative business model requirements established by Council, Go Green's submission was removed from consideration as it did not meet the definition of a cooperative, leaving one remaining applicant for the opportunity, ATX Coop Taxi.

ATD recommends Council move forward with providing the franchise opportunity to ATX Coop Taxi. The franchise process requires three separate readings, with a month separation between the first and third reading. Staff brings this item to council for this reading only at this time.

Second reading will be on June 9, 2016
Third reading will be on June 23, 2016.