

Committee of the Whole

Agenda Cover Memorandum

Meeting Date:

February 23, 2009

Item Title:

Request for Additional Taxi Licenses

Action Requested:

- ☐ Approval
- ☐ For discussion
- ☐ Feedback requested
- ☒ For your information

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Background:

The City has received a request from American Taxi to obtain a Certificate of Operation to allow for pick-up livery service within the City. Currently there is only the Park Ridge Taxi that has a Certificate of Operation in Park Ridge. American Taxi has requested five taxicabs to be licensed. Currently, Park Ridge taxi is allowed up to 35 taxicabs under their existing Certificate of Operation.

The City has also been made aware of a recent proposal that was sent out from District 207 for taxi and transportation services for their Special Education program. A company that is awarded that contract would have to comply with the City ordinance. District 207 is aware of the regulation and has sent out an addendum to their original RFP notifying prospective bidders of the City's ordinance.

Staff requests input from the Committee as to whether they wish to entertain a proposal from American Taxi at this time. The P&R Committee last reviewed this in 2005 at which time the Committee voted not to award a Certificate of Operation to both American Taxi and 303 Taxi. Copies of the minutes from those meetings are attached.

If the Committee wishes to discuss this further, this item will begin the formal application process and schedule a public hearing.

Recommendation:

Discuss issue and provide direction to staff.

Budget Implications:

Does Action Require an Expenditure of Funds: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, Total Cost:

If Yes, is this a Budgeted Item: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Attachments:

- Request from American Taxi
- Minutes from the February 1, 2005 and March 1, 2005 P&R Committee meetings