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## Agenda Item No. 6

Taxicab Advisory Committee Meeting

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March 2, 2016

### SUBJECT:

**TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE LEASE DRIVER REPRESENTATIVE MEMBER  
NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCESS**

### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Taxicab Advisory Committee review and approve the proposed lease driver representative election process and appoint a subcommittee to validate the election results.

#### Budget Impact

The complete election process will require approximately \$2,000 in mailing and reproduction costs. This cost does not include staff time. Cost for staff time is estimated at \$13,080.

### DISCUSSION:

In September 1994, MTS established the Taxicab Advisory Committee to review policies and procedures relative to taxicab regulations, and to provide recommendations to the MTS Board of Directors. The "MTS Taxicab Committee Guidelines" (Attachment A) were revised in September 2011, to accommodate the election of five (5) lease driver representatives, and reduce the number of permit holder seats to an equal number of five (5). Each member is elected for a three-year term.

The current lease driver representative members were elected in the fall of 2011, and their terms should have expired December 31, 2013. Due to delays caused by the contract renewals and new taxicab permit issuance, the process was postponed, and existing members agreed to remain on the Committee until these issues were resolved. The time is here to elect five lease driver representatives to serve for the next three years, beginning June 15, 2016 through May 31, 2019.

#### Proposed Timeline:

On Monday, March 14, 2016 memorandums will be mailed to all MTS permit holders, radio service organizations, the San Diego Sheriff's Licensing Division, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (SDCRAA), and the driver safety training facility



advising of the election process, and nomination requirements. Permit holders are required to forward this memorandum to lease drivers.

From 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 28, 2016 through Friday, April 1, 2016, (please note, MTS is closed on Thursday, March 31, 2016 in observance of Cesar Chavez Day). MTS will be seeking self-nominations, in person, from taxicab drivers willing to attend a *minimum* of four TAC meetings per year, and who meet the nomination requirements. Driver self-nomination forms will be available at the MTS Taxicab Administration business office. Driver nominee eligibility will be verified at the Sheriff's Licensing Division.

On Friday, April 15, 2016, a list of all drivers on the ballot will be mailed to all permit holders, radio service organizations, SDCRAA, Sheriff's Licensing Division, and driver safety training facility, along with the voting requirements. Beginning at 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 25, 2016 to 4:00pm Wednesday, April 27, 2016, driver voting will be held at the Taxicab Administration office.

Votes will be counted on Thursday, April 28, 2016, to Friday, April 29, 2016, by MTS staff. Candidates will be rank-ordered by the number of votes received.

Staff requests that the Committee select a subcommittee of not less than three (3) members whose task will be to validate the vote count. The subcommittee will meet at the offices of Taxicab Administration at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 29, 2016. The subcommittee will confirm its validation of the vote count by affixing their signatures to a *Memo of Validation*.

The staff vote count, and the Taxicab Advisory Committee's Vote Validation Subcommittee *Memo of Validation* will be attached to a recommendation to the MTS Board to appoint those five candidates determined to have received the greatest number of votes. The new members will be notified by mail following their appointment by the MTS Board on June 9, 2016, and will be introduced at the June 15, 2016, meeting of the Taxicab Advisory Committee.



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Attachment: A. Taxicab Advisory Committee Guidelines - Not attached-See Attachment A For Agenda Item 5

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