

21. Re: Request for authorization to issue Taxi Licences
(Item 13, Report No. 79, October 22, 1973)

On October 22, 1973, Council during consideration of a comprehensive report on Taxi Cabs adopted the following recommendation:

"That two additional licences be authorized to take effect immediately."

In keeping with Council's decision, an advertisement inviting application was placed in the legal section of the Vancouver Sun on November 14 and 15, 1973. Applications were received up to 5:00p.m. November 26, 1973. The application form was specifically designed to provide information that was necessary for an evaluation of the applicants and their ability to provide appropriate taxi service in the Municipality.

As noted in the following report from the Chief Licence Inspector, five applications were received for the two licences that are available. Reasons for rejection of two applications are contained in the report. With respect to the third rejection regarding the application from Mr. Julius Kohut, the Chief Licence Inspector advises that it is preferable for administrative and enforcement purposes to issue the licence in the name of Mr. Kohut's Company (Capitol Hill Taxi Ltd). This would be consistent with the present way in which licences are issued.

Issuance of the two licences as proposed would place one additional cab in North Burnaby and one additional cab in what is principally South Burnaby. This proposal would not only represent an equitable distribution of licences to Burnaby's two major taxi companies, but would also provide the overall community with more balanced taxi service.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT one licence be issued to Capitol Hill Taxi Ltd., and one licence to Bonny's Taxi (1971) Limited.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR
RE: TAXI LICENCES

November 30, 1973

Referring to the recent decision by Council to approve the issue of two additional licences, we have received applications from the following:

1. Capitol Hill Taxi Ltd.,
4703 E. Hastings Street, Burnaby 2.
2. Julius Kohut (President of Capitol Hill Taxi Ltd.)
3933 Napier Street, Burnaby 2.
3. Bonny's Taxi (1971) Ltd.,
5525 Imperial Street, Burnaby 1.
4. Burnaby Driver Owners Association,
7980 Dow Avenue, Burnaby 1.
5. Pride Taxi Ltd. (Eric Rudolph Williams)
6222 McMurray Avenue, Burnaby 1

Both numbers 4 and 5 above are presently associated with Bonny's Taxi and both have indicated on their application forms that if successful in obtaining a licence, they will be dispatched by Bonny's, however, Bonny's Taxi have denied any such arrangement, see letter attached, hence I cannot consider their applications as being valid, as without a dispatching service a taxi is useless.

RECOMMENDATION

That one licence each be issued to Capitol Hill Taxi Ltd. and Bonny's Taxi (1971) Ltd.