ITEM 27 MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 53 COUNCIL MEETING Aug. 6/74

## Re: Taxi-Cabs Transporting Chattels

At the June 24, 1974 meeting of Council, Alderman Lawson enquired as to whether the Motor Carrier Commission had rendered a decision in respect of an application for taxis to carry chattels up to a certain weight.

Following is the report of the Chief Licence Inspector in reply to Alderman Lawson's enquiry.

This is for the information of Council.

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August 1, 1974.

TO: Municipal Manager.

FROM: Chief Licence Inspector.

RE: Taxi-Cabs Transporting Chattels

We are advised by the Vancouver office of the Motor Carrier Commission that a decision on the Burnaby Taxicab operator's application to provide for the transporting of chattels to points outside the Municipality, has been handed down.

The decision provides for the amending of their conditions of licence to permit transporting of general merchandise between the hours of 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon and 7:00 o'clock in the morning and, transporting of medical supplies, equipment or specimens at anytime. The tariff rate shall be the same as for the transporting of passengers.

The Motor Carrier Commission assessed the applicants a \$2,000 fee for conducting the hearing and further stipulated that their decision would not become effective until the fee is paid.

We are advised by the taxicab operators that they do not accept the decision of the Motor Carrier Commission and intend to launch an appeal. In the meantime, the hearing fee has not been paid.

A written copy of the decision, including the reasons, is being forwarded to the Licence Department office and will be available at Council's request.

The Burnaby Cab & Commercial Vehicle By-law provides for the transporting of chattels within the boundaries of the Municipality, at the tariff rate applicable to passengers. The decision of the Motor Carrier Commission will not alter that situation.

This report is for the information of Council.

Respectfully submitted.

Bunny

H. Buckley, CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR.

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