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On January 1, 2001, nine taxicab companies were awarded ten-year franchises to operate in the City. By use of a franchise system, each grantee was provided with an ordinance and set of rules establishing the terms and conditions for taxicab service. These franchise ordinances were set to expire on December 31, 2010. On November 24, 2010, the Council approved a five-year renewal for the nine taxi franchise operator agreements under the same terms and conditions, but with the requirement that 80 percent of their fleets be comprised of fuel efficient vehicles. This franchise renewal expires on December 31, 2015.

Before new taxicab franchises are awarded, the Department of Transportation should fully explore the City's existing taxicab regulatory functions and develop either a new taxicab re-franchising plan or other authorized permitting operating plan for the future. The Board of Taxicab Commissioners has been working diligently on this issue.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request the City Attorney to prepare and present two-year franchise extensions with the current nine taxicab companies to provide taxicab transportation service under the current terms and conditions, effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.

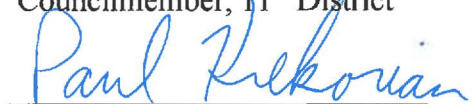
I FURTHER MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation to report in 90 days with a preliminary scope of work for a study of the City's existing taxicab regulatory framework and functions, that would include, but not be limited to, a review of other regulatory approaches, new technology improvements, performance requirements, and other possible changes.

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