

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Accept Private For Hire Transportation Innovation Pilot Program Status Report.

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This report provides Council with a status update on the Private For Hire Transportation (PFHT) market in Portland since the initiation of the PFHT Innovation Pilot Program. Specifically, the report focuses on taxi and transportation network service and compliance during May 2015.

The Pilot Program, which was approved by Council and began in April 2015, made changes to taxicab regulations and established interim rules for transportation network companies. As the pilot continues, the PFHT Innovation Task Force that was convened by Commissioner Novick has held several additional public meetings to further explore challenges and opportunities within Portland's PFHT market. The Task Force will develop regulatory recommendations that may serve as the basis for codified PFHT regulations at the conclusion of the Pilot Program. A regulatory proposal will be submitted for Council consideration on August 20, 2015 and will focus on taxicab and transportation network safety, service and compliance standards.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

This report has no fiscal impact.

Community impacts and community involvement:

Commissioner Novick convened the Private For Hire Transportation Innovation Task Force in January 2015. The 12-member community Task Force will provide guidance and recommendations to the Commissioner on how the City of Portland's PFHT regulatory program should evolve and respond to new developments in the industry, including the entry of Transportation Network Companies.

Following a presentation of regulatory recommendations from the Task Force and a great deal of public input, Council approved the PFHT Innovation Pilot Program with revised regulations for taxi companies and new rules that allow for TNCs. The Portland Bureau of Transportation is managing and overseeing the Pilot Program, which began in April and will conclude in August.

The Portland Bureau of Transportation will provide regular status updates to the Task Force, which continues to review regulations and monitor Portland's dynamic PFHT market.

The Task Force will continue to meet throughout this summer and fall and will present comprehensive PFHT regulatory recommendations to Council following the conclusion of the Pilot Program. The recommendations will include regulatory recommendations for all modes of for-hire transportation, including taxicabs, Transportation Network Companies, Limited Passenger Transportation companies, pedicabs and shuttles. The Task Force will continue to solicit public input as it develops recommendations. Comments and input may be submitted to pdxrides@portlandoregon.gov.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

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 NO: Skip this section

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