

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	15318	Agenda Number	74.
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Meeting Date:	5/24/2012	Department:	Transportation
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Subject

Approve first reading of an ordinance renewing a franchise to ABCABCO, Inc., d.b.a. Lone Star Cab Company to operate a taxicab service in the City of Austin for three years.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Gordon Derr, 974-7228; Carlton Thomas, 974-7020, Gilda Powers, 974-7092
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Urban Transportation Commission.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

ABCABCO, Incorporated d.b.a. Lone Star Cab Company has filed a taxicab franchise renewal application. The existing franchise expires on July 17, 2012. Lone Star Cab proposes to continue to operate 88 taxicabs to provide taxicab service to the entire city, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The application has been reviewed and all required information is on file with the Austin Transportation Department.

Lone Star Cab has provided taxicab service in Austin since 2007 and has exhibited the character, experience, and ability to provide taxicab service. The Austin Transportation Department recommends approval of renewal of the taxicab franchise for a period ending May 27, 2015.

On March 8, 2012, the Urban Transportation Commission voted to recommend approval to grant renewal of the franchise for a period ending May 27, 2015.

The City Charter requires a franchise renewal to be granted by ordinance and read at three regular City Council meetings. The third reading may not occur until 30 days after the first reading. Following is the schedule for the second and third readings:

Second reading – June 14, 2012

Third reading – June 28, 2012