

**RESOLUTION NO. 2005-224**

**ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL**

**ON DATE OF** APR 05 2005

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFIC TAXI REFORM  
RECOMMENDATIONS AND DIRECT STAFF TO BRING  
A PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL**

Now therefore be it resolved by the Council of the City of Sacramento:

- 1) The City Council approves the specific detailed recommendations for taxi reform as described in Attachment A.
- 2) The City Council directs staff to return with a proposed ordinance for approval by the City Council which would authorize the implementation of the reforms.

**HEATHER FARGO**

**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**SHIRLEY CONCOLINO**

**CITY CLERK**

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**Parking and Taxicab Stands**

- Extend the ban on taxicab parking at meters to the entire downtown
- Do not pursue the idea of a common queuing location for downtown at this time

**Taxicab Companies and Associations**

- Require all permit holders to be affiliated with a company or association with at least 25 insured, permitted vehicles and a common color scheme.
- Provide flexibility as to the legal form of the association, including corporations, sole proprietorships and associations governed by bylaws, as long as a single contact officer is authorized to bind the association in dealings with the City.
- Association responsibilities include:
  - Maintain a staffed place of business within 10 miles of the city limits
  - Minimum business hours of 9am to 5 pm weekdays where some person in charge can be contacted by phone or in persons
  - Maintain a common phone number which must be listed in the telephone directories
  - Provide a two-way dispatch service during operational hours
  - Respond to complaints and report complaints and action taken to the City quarterly
  - Assume responsibility for all penalties incurred by affiliated vehicles and drivers

**Next Steps on Regional and Additional Reforms**

- Continue evaluation of the opportunity and feasibility of additional reforms pertaining to regional issues such as:
  - Disabled and elderly accessibility
  - Flat downtown to airport rate
  - Coordination of permitting processes
- Bring forward a policy for the designation of new taxicab stand spaces, making it clear that taxi stands are for the convenience of the passenger and should not be sized simply to accommodate waiting queues of taxis.
- Further evaluate enlarging taxicab stands at key trip generators based on Taxicab Advisory Panel suggestions.
- Review whether the City should require commercial (general liability) coverage from taxi permit holders.

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