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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 8, 2012

TO: MGSA Board of Directors

FROM: Paul Berlant, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM: D: Taxicab Regulation Program Update and Contract Renewal for the Services of the MCTRP and AVA Program Director

Recommendation Accept this update regarding the Marin County Taxi Regulation Program and authorize the Executive Officer to execute an extension of the contract with Regional Government Services for the services of Jeff Rawles as MCTRP Administrator and AVAP Program Administrator.

Inventory Update There currently are 19 companies using 21 “brand” names. This represents a reduction of three companies since the last report in September. We are told that at least one of the reductions is a sale, however the buyer has not applied for a permit and to our knowledge is not operating. We have also been advised that other companies with permits are for sale. Those companies that are for sale are from the group that was initially permitted with five year permits that expire in 2013. Two new companies have paid the \$1,000 business fee, but are not yet operating.

There are currently 100 permitted vehicles, which is an increase of two vehicles since the last report. Permitted drivers currently total 186, which is an increase of five drivers since September.

Within the above statistics there has been movement of drivers signing up and dropping out. Overall there is a net increase of drivers and vehicles on the street.

The San Francisco Airport Police have discovered Marin's Taxi Regulation Program as a result of citing or warning Marin taxicab drivers of violations of their rules. Mr. Rawles has developed a line of communications with the authorities at the airport.

In summary, the program keeps growing. In the coming year, as permits expire for the older companies that were issued five year permits and face the higher renewal fee, it is anticipated that there may be further movement in ownership.

Professional Services Agreement The MGSA contracts with RGS for the services of the MCTRP/AVAP administrator. The contract for the MCTRP/AVAP administrator runs out in December 31, 2012. A simple extension for the contract has been prepared, utilizing the same terms and scope of work but ending on December 31, 2013.

Attachment

Draft Professional Services Contracts - MCTRP/AVAP Program Administrator