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YORK REGION TRANSIT MOBILITY PLUS SERVICE ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT WITH AAA MARKHAM & RICHMOND HILL TAXI & LIMOUSINE LIMITED

The Transit Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendation contained in the following report, September 4, 2003, from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works:

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

1. The Region assign consent to the assignment of the agreement between the Region and AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited (AAA), which was executed on July 1, 2002 and will terminate on June 30, 2005, to 1570014 Ontario Limited, effective September 27, 2003.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to obtain Transit Committee and Council approval to assign the agreement, effective September 27, 2003, between the Region and AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited (AAA) which was executed on July 1, 2002 and will terminate on June 30, 2005, to 1570014 Ontario Ltd., a newly incorporated company created to enter into an agreement to purchase the assets of AAA.

3. BACKGROUND

On July 1, 2002, the Region entered into an agreement with AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited (AAA) for the provision of public transportation services for persons with disabilities in the Region of York. The Region has been requested by the solicitors of 1570014 Ontario Limited, a newly incorporated company created to enter into an agreement to purchase the assets of AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited (AAA) on September 27, 2003, to consent to the assignment of the agreement currently in effect between the Region and the current owners of AAA, to 1570014 Ontario Limited.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Paragraph 7 of the current agreement with AAA sets out “that the Operator shall not assign its responsibilities or obligations under this agreement without prior written approval by the Region, which approval may not be unreasonably withheld”. The Transit branch, in conjunction with the Supplies and Services branch, has performed due diligence with respect to 1570014 Ontario Limited and recommends this assignment.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with the assignment of this agreement.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The assignment of the current agreement with AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited to 1570014 Ontario Limited will ensure uninterrupted service for Mobility Plus customers who reside in the Markham and Richmond Hill areas of the Region.

7. CONCLUSION

To ensure uninterrupted service for Mobility Plus customers the transit department recommends the assignment of the current agreement with AAA Markham & Richmond Hill Taxi & Limousine Limited to 1570014 Ontario Limited, effective September 27, 2003. Due diligence with respect to 1570014 has been undertaken by the Transit and the Supplies and Services branches and are satisfied this company can satisfactorily perform the requirements of the agreement.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.