

At the public hearing last week there was discussion among the council members about raising the minimum fare from \$5 to \$6 this year and then another increase to \$7 next year. St. Paul Yellow Taxi supports that raise in two steps, particularly if rat review will only be done every two years. St. Paul Yellow Taxi would also request that the fare go up to \$8 in two years. In order to implement we would respectfully request that the proposed revision to the ordinance reflect a raise to \$7 in one year.

We propose that the words "seven dollars (\$7.00) after January 1, 2014" be inserted in the ordinance after the words " minimum fare six dollars (\$6.00)"

Thank your for your time and attention to this matter and your continuing interest in the viability of the taxicab business in the City of St. Paul, for the health and welfare of the taxi companies, drivers, customers and citizens of St. Paul.

Regards,

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