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Staff Report

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Discussion Regarding Conducting a Review of Other Cities' Fees for Ridesharing Services to Provide Findings/Recommendation to the Parking and Traffic Council Subcommittee.

Meeting Date: May 9, 2018

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Fiscal Impact: Yes []   No [X]   **General Fund:** Yes []   No [X]

Public Hearing: []   **Action Item:**   [X]   **Attachments:** [X]

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Department Approval: Jeff Muir, Chief Financial Officer (05/03/2018)

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) discuss conducting a review of other cities' fees for ridesharing services to provide findings/recommendation to the Parking and Traffic Council Subcommittee.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

With ridesharing/ride-hailing services increasing in popularity across the nation, many municipalities have begun examining policies to impose fees or taxes on these companies and/or passengers. Such services are assumed to increase demand on local streets and roads, worsening traffic and reducing public transportation ridership. For these reasons, taxes/fees to assist in paying for local public transportation and infrastructure improvements has become a topic of heightened conversation nationally and among states and cities.

At the April Parking and Traffic Council Subcommittee Meeting, it was recommended that the FAC take a look at the fees some cities are imposing on Uber and Lyft (and ridesharing services generally) and report back with findings/recommendations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Hu, W. (2018, February 18). When calling an Uber can pay off for cities and states. *The New York Times,* Retrieved from: <http://www.nytimes.com>.

MOTION

That the FAC:

1. Hold discussion.