RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF TAXICAB AND OTHER FOR-HIRE REGULATIONS BETWEEN THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM AND THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista, through its Police Department, regulates taxi cab operators in the city by requiring a certificate to operate issued by the Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, with 27 taxicab companies and a total of 54 taxicabs licensed to operate in Chula Vista, the City collects \$5,400 annually, based on a \$150 fee for the first cab and a \$25 fee for the second cab; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 1069, signed into law by California's governor in 2017 and effective on January 1, 2019, requires cities to either create a Joint Powers Authority or enter into an agreement with a transit agency, such as the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), to regulate taxicab companies and taxicab drivers; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department recommends contracting with MTS to regulate taxicabs and other for-hire vehicles, which would provide a high level of regulatory service to a greater number of for-hire vehicles, to the benefit of public safety, and would free up Department personnel to work on other public safety matters; and

WHEREAS, as authorized by California Public Utilities Code Section 12066, the MTS for years has contracted with most cities in its service area, such as National City, Imperial Beach, San Diego, Lemon Grove, El Cajon, Santee and Poway, to provide full-service regulation of taxicabs and other for-hire transportation services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to MTS Codified Ordinance No. 11, regulation includes determining owner eligibility, inspecting vehicles, issuing permits, monitoring compliance with administrative and operational regulations and investigating passenger complaints; and

WHEREAS, AB 1069 reserved rights of cities to regulate taxi stands in their jurisdictions and to require taxicab companies that are substantially located in Chula Vista, as defined by AB 1069, to obtain a business license.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, that it approves the Agreement for Administration of Taxicab and Other For-Hire Vehicle Regulations between the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System and the City of Chula Vista, in the form presented, with such minor modifications as may be required or approved by the City Attorney, a copy of which shall be kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute same.

Presented by	Approved as to form by
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Chief of Police	City Attorney