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INFORMATION:

2011 Taxicab Rates
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The Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board met on December 7 and voted to keep taxicab rates at their current level for calendar year 2011. The board considered input from its Taxicab Rate Subcommittee, the Passenger Vehicle for Hire Office, comments from a public hearing, and surveys of other cities in making its decision.

Taxi rates for 2011 remain as follows:

- $2.50 initial charge
- 50¢ per 1/5 mile
- 50¢ per minute stopped or slow traffic charge (7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. weekdays)
- $25.00 from airport to Uptown within I-277 Loop
- $14.00 minimum from airport

FY2011 Federal Appropriations Update
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As the US Congress approaches the end of the session, it must pass an appropriations bill to keep the US Government running for the period after December 18. The House of Representatives has passed and sent to the Senate a Continuing Resolution to fund the government through the end of FY2011 at FY2010 levels. The CR also extends the Federal Surface Transportation Program, which expires on December 31, 2010, until September 30, 2011. There are no earmarks included in this bill.

The Senate, on the other hand will be considering an omnibus appropriations bill that funds the government very close to what the President recommended. The measure includes earmarks, including the following for the City of Charlotte:

- Gang of One - $400,000
- Wastewater and Stormwater Project - $300,000
- NE Corridor Project Blue Line Extension - $11,000,000

The City's Washington, D.C. lobbyists, Holland & Knight will be monitoring progress of this measure.

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