

Dear respectful members of the City of San Antonio,

We, the undersigned taxi drivers of San Antonio, respectfully would like to bring it to your attention that we are in desperate need of your help, and we are hopeful that you can assist us in this matter.

Since the start of the ride-share companies in the City of San Antonio, taxi drivers income has been drastically reduced by 50 percent, our share of the market has been continuously shrinking by the day, and as we know major taxi companies have gone either out of business or declared bankruptcy, however, we are remainder of drivers which have been serving the City of San Antonio for many years, and mostly as an owner-operators, and we are in a great need of help, to bring our taxi rates to a fair price level. As we know, the rapid changes in the economy and increase of cost of living to %5.4 has been taking away from our already low income in our business. and we are in desperate need of rate adjustments to compensate for the drastic changes in our economy.

We have no control over our pricing, but ride-share companies have the advantage of changing their prices as they wish, and their rates are higher than taxi rates as they surge prices that happen most often, and it has been well documented, and if it is needed we can present the screen shut of their rates.

Therefore our proposal for the cost of living rates changes are as follows:

Present meter for drop charge is

Daytime. \$2.50

Nighttime. \$3.50

Our recommendation:

Daytime and nighttime \$3.50

Airport minimum charge:

Daytime. \$11.75

Nighttime. \$12.75

Our recommendation:

Daytime and nighttime \$20.00

Downtown minimum charge:

Daytime. \$5.00

Nighttime. \$6.00

Our recommendation:

Daytime and nighttime \$10.00

Per mile rate \$2.35 /mile

Our recommendation:

Per mile rate. \$2.70 /mile

The following recommendation at this point does not exist in chapter 33

Larger taxis that they can carry more than 4 passengers, like 6 passengers vans should be able to add:

\$2.00 per extra passenger not to exceed more than \$4.00/ van

With great respect, these changes must be made to help us and our family in this economic hardship.

Sincerely,