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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to car sharing in the city fleet.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter one of title 6 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 6-140 to read as follows:

§ 6-140 Car sharing in the city fleet. a. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) “Car sharing” means a shared-use motor vehicle program that provides a geographically distributed fleet of motor vehicles that is made available to entities or persons on an hourly or short-term basis, or provides technology that enables the city to share internally its city-owned or leased vehicles.

(2) “Car sharing organization” means an organization that provides pre-approved members with access to motor vehicles at geographically distributed locations for an hourly or short-term rate that includes fuel, maintenance, and insurance, or provides technology and services that enable the city to share internally its city-owned or leased vehicles.

(3) “City agency” means a city, county, borough, administration, department, division, bureau, board or commission, or a corporation, institution, or agency of government, the expenses of which are paid in whole or in part from the city treasury.

(4) “Motor vehicle” means a vehicle operated or driven upon a public highway which is propelled by any power other than muscular power, except electrically-driven mobility assistance devices operated or driven

by a person with a disability. For the purposes of this section, such term shall not include vehicles that are used for emergency response, inspection or enforcement by agencies including, but not limited to, the department of environmental protection, the department of sanitation, the department of transportation, the office of emergency management, the sheriff's office of the department of finance, the police department, the fire department, and the department of correction.

(5) "Light-duty vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is a maximum of eighty-five hundred pounds in gross vehicle weight and includes sedans, utility vehicles, pick-up trucks and vans.

b. The city shall establish a car sharing program for city agencies utilizing light-duty motor vehicles.

c. Beginning January 1, 2016 and during each of the following three consecutive years thereafter through December 31, 2019, the city shall remove from service without replacement at least two percent of the total existing number of light-duty motor vehicles in the city fleet through the use of strategies including, but not limited to, car sharing. For the year beginning January 1, 2020, the city shall remove from service without replacement at least one percent of the total existing number of light-duty motor vehicles in the city fleet through the use of strategies including, but not limited to, car sharing. This subdivision shall not apply to light-duty motor vehicles that have been added to any individual city agency's fleet in connection with a proportional increase in such agency's headcount resulting from programmatic or operational changes in such agency's functions or duties, provided that the city shall consider the use of such strategies including, but not limited to, car sharing with respect to such light-duty motor vehicles.

d. No later than February 1, 2017 and no later than every February 1 thereafter through February 1, 2021, the mayor shall submit to the comptroller and the speaker of the council a report regarding the car sharing program and reductions in the city fleet during the immediately preceding calendar year. Such reports shall include, but not be limited to: (1) an evaluation of such car sharing program; (2) recommendations, if any, for changing any component(s) of such car sharing program; (3) data regarding the use of car sharing, disaggregated by city agency; (4) the utilization of services of car sharing organizations, if applicable; (5) the

impact of such car sharing program on expenses related to the city fleet; and (6) the number and percentage of motor vehicles removed from the city fleet since the inception of such car sharing program and, if applicable, the number and percentage of motor vehicles removed in the preceding twelve months. In addition, the report due no later than February 1, 2021 shall contain an evaluation of the size of the city fleet and recommendations, if any, for further reducing the size of such fleet.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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