



Commissioner Victor D. Crist

UBER

Agreement on Hillsborough County Ridesharing Framework Reached *-Framework Establishes Rideshare Operating Agreement-*

For Immediate Release:

(Tampa, Fla.)-Today, Uber reached an agreement with the Hillsborough County Public Transportation Commission's (PTC) Chairman, Victor Crist, on a comprehensive temporary operating agreement, establishing a temporary framework for ridesharing in Hillsborough County.

The agreement establishes enforceable requirements including a thorough screening process for drivers transporting passengers, auto liability insurance requirements, and vehicle age and inspection provisions. Under the agreement's audit provision, the Hillsborough County PTC would have the ability to inspect relevant records and reports to ensure compliance. If the Hillsborough County PTC votes in favor of the agreement at the next meeting on October 13th, the new framework would be signed and made official.

"While there is no doubt that the growth of ridesharing in Hillsborough County has been welcomed by the community and has helped provide needed transportation options and economic opportunity to our residents, it is our responsibility at the PTC to ensure the appropriate safeguards and oversight are in place to protect the riding public," said Hillsborough County PTC Chairman Victor Crist. "This agreement achieves that goal. It also brings Hillsborough County transportation into the 21st Century, joining the communities across Florida and across the country who have embraced innovation in the transportation sector with modern, smart regulations."

"The thousands of residents in Hillsborough County who rely on Uber have spoken loud and clear: They want the economic opportunities and safe, reliable transportation options that ridesharing makes possible," said Tom Maguire, Uber General Manager for Tampa and Orlando. "We thank Chairman Crist for his leadership in forging this responsible, sensible agreement that fulfills these goals on behalf of the PTC's constituents."

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