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Two Taxi cab Zones at the corner of J-St and 13-St used to serve the needs of Taxicab service to the Hotel Sheraton Grand, Sacramento Convention Center and areas around for a large number of Officials and Visitors to the Capital City from all over the world for Meetings, Conventions and other businesses for the last more than 8 years.

In August 2008, those Taxicab Zones were shifted to one Block away past the lights and a Rail Track on J-st and 12-st to the North. The main reason for this move when checked with Hotel management was the safety issue when Freeway 5 was closed for major repairs and a very high volume of south bound traffic was diverted to J-street and passenger loading zones of the hotel had problems.

Now after the opening of freeway in both directions those taxicab zones have not been restored back to its original location. The Taxicabs have to cross a Light, A Rail Track and also change a lane at the crossing at the same time to reach the customer at the Hotel Sheraton and this is very dangerous for the Cab driver and the traffic as a whole at the onset of winter.

This also leaves a bad impression about the Capital City and lot of customers ask the Cab drivers why there is no Taxi available at the Hotel and Convention Centre.

A number of requests to City Officials like Ms Defna and Mr Brad Wasson for restoring these zones by the Hotel have been turned down and they said, they will not ^{do} it unless the Hotel administration requests them. Our efforts to reach the Hotel Authorities have failed and finally we have no other option available to us except the City Council and we request you to advise the City officials to restore those two taxicab zones to its original location.

If there are any other additional issues those could be discussed with the Taxicab Association Managers and an amicable and guaranteed solution found out.

Thank you for listening.

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