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Ordinance No. 100045

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 4 of Ordinance 59866 to modify the Maximum income limits for the use of taxi fare scrip by elderly persons, and amending Section 3 of Ordinance 104472 to modify the maximum income limits for the receipt of elderly utility credits.

11/17/76 Public Hearing
10/27/76 Sold
11/10/76 Reg. & Budget Committee
11/19/76 Budget Passed

COMPTROLLER
FILE NUMBER

Council Bill No. 97590

INTRODUCED: JUL 19 1976	EXECUTIVE REQUEST
REFERRED: JUL 19 1976	TO: <i>Budget</i> HUMAN RES. & OPERATIONS
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REPORTED: DEC 6 1976	SECOND READING: DEC 6 1976
THIRD READING: DEC 6 1976	SIGNED: DEC 6 1976
PRESENTED TO MAYOR: DEC 7 1976	APPROVED: DEC 14 1976
RETD. TO CITY CLERK: DEC 14 1976	PUBLISHED:
VETOED BY MAYOR:	VETO PUBLISHED:
PASSED OVER VETO:	VETO SUSTAINED:

Unanimous Vote

YES _____ NO _____

Q: Will passing this proposal allow the bulk of retired citizens to participate in the program proposed?

Are Senior Citizens' incomes increasing with cost of living?

ORDINANCE 106045

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 4 of Ordinance 59866 to modify the maximum income limits for the use of taxi fare scrip by elderly persons, and amending Section 3 of Ordinance 104472 to modify the maximum income limits for the receipt of elderly utility credits.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 4 of Ordinance 59866, as last amended by Ordinance 103690, is further amended to read as follows:

AMENDED - ORD.
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Section 4. It shall be unlawful for anyone driving or operating, or engaged in the business of operating taxicabs, for-hire cars, special service vehicles, or sightseeing cars or charter buses, to charge, demand, collect, or receive any greater or less rate of fare than the following:

TAXICAB METER RATES:

For one passenger for the first 1/6 mile or fraction thereof	\$.80
Thereafter for each additional 1/6 mile, or fraction thereof10
For every one minute of waiting time12
For each additional passenger20

(No additional passenger shall be picked up without the express consent of the original passenger.); provided that the total fare computed in accordance with such rates may be paid in scrip by any handicapped person as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance or by the holder of an identification card which shall be issued by the Department of Human Resources to persons sixty-five years of age or older whose income, if single, is not more than ~~eighty~~ ^{seventy} ~~(80)~~ ⁽⁷⁰⁾ percent of the Washington State median income for a one person household, as computed

* S/B / 05729

1 annually by the State of Washington or the City or
2 whose income, if married, together with that of his
3 or her spouse is not more than ^{Seventy 12-6-78 (70%)} ~~eighty percent (80%)~~
4 of the Washington State median income for a two
5 person household, as computed annually by the State
6 of Washington or the City. Scrip shall be printed
7 in the form prescribed by the City Treasurer and shall
8 be sold and redeemed by the City Treasurer at a price
9 which shall be equal to ^{Seventy 12-6-78 (70%)} ~~eighty percent (80%)~~ of the
10 face value thereof; provided further that said rates,
11 insofar as they establish a minimum rate, shall not
12 apply --

13 (1) to the transportation of handicapped students
14 under contract with any public or private school or
15 school district if such contract or satisfactory
16 evidence thereof has been theretofore filed with the
17 City Comptroller, or

18 (2) to the transportation in any vehicle being operated
19 under a special services vehicle permit of persons
20 sixty-five years of age or older or handicapped persons
21 as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance.

22 FOR-HIRE CAR RATES:

23 For the first two hours of driving time or fraction
24 thereof \$18.00

25 For each successive hour or fraction thereof, at the
26 rate of \$9.00 per hour. A flat rate shall be
27 permitted for funerals only, provided such flat rate
28 shall not be less than the minimum charge for two hours
of driving time as hereinabove in this section provided.

1 SIGHTSEEING CAR RATES:

2 For any one trip the fare for any one passenger on
3 account of transportation shall not exceed \$10.00 or be
4 less than \$2.00, provided that children under five
5 years of age may be transported free of charge and the
6 fare for children from 5 to 12 years of age may be one-
7 half of the adult fare.

8 CHARTER BUS RATES:

9 The charge for use of charter bus shall be a sum certain
10 determined by agreement between the contracting persons
11 at the time of chartering, provided that in determining
12 said sum, waiting time may be included at an agreed
13 rate.

14 It shall be unlawful for any driver or operator of a
15 vehicle licensed as a sightseeing car or charter bus to
16 charge, demand or collect any fare in any other manner
17 than provided for in this ordinance or, when not used
18 as a sightseeing bus, from any passenger or person
19 other than a person chartering the bus or his designated
20 agent.

21 SPECIAL SERVICES VEHICLE RATES:

22 Charges for the transportation in any special services
23 vehicle of persons sixty-five years of age or older or
24 handicapped persons as defined in Section 1 of this
25 ordinance shall be in accordance with the schedule of
26 rates, fares and charges filed with the City Comptroller
27 by the permit holder for any such special services
28 vehicle; provided that any such schedule of rates,
fares and charges shall be uniform as to all special
services vehicles having the same color scheme; and

1 provided further that no such schedule of rates, fares
2 and charges shall be the same as or greater than the
3 taxicab meter rates established in this section.

4 Said rates shall not apply to the transportation of
5 passengers between docks, railroad stations, hotels and
6 airports when the passenger pays fare by means of a
7 transfer coupon forming a part of a through ticket
8 issued by a transportation company, but provided that
9 when the transportation is by means of a taxicab, the
10 taxicab meter shall be in operation.

11 Section 2. That Section 3 of Ordinance 104472, as last
12 amended by Ordinance 105537, is further amended to read as
13 follows:

14 Section 3. To implement the program provided for in
15 Section 1 hereof "Elderly Utility Credits" shall be issued
16 to each person who shows satisfactory proof that he or she:

- 17 a) is 65 years of age or older; and
- 18 b) has a maximum annual income, if single, of not
19 more than ~~eighty percent (80%)~~ ^{(70%) 15-6-76} of the Washington
20 State median income for a one person household,
21 as computed annually by the State of Washington or
22 the City, or whose annual income, if married,
23 together with that of his or her spouse, does not
24 exceed ~~eighty percent (80%)~~ ^{(70%) 15-6-76} of the Washington
25 State median income for a two person household as
26 computed annually by the State of Washington or
27 the City.
- 28 c) is a single occupant or the head of a household or
the spouse of the head of the household; and
- d) resides in a dwelling unit served directly by the
City's Water, Sewer or Solid Waste Utilities; and

(To be used for all Ordinances except Emergency.)

e) is billed or is the spouse of a person billed by the Light, Water, Sewer, or Solid Waste Utilities; or, if not so billed, has resided for a period of not less than ninety (90) consecutive days in a rental unit in which the amount of the Water, Sewer, or Solid Waste rate increases affect the amount of the rent charged.

Applicants shall verify such information, and shall provide such other data as is deemed appropriate upon forms and in the manner determined by the Department of Human Resources.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 6 day of December, 1976, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 6 day of December, 1976

[Signature]
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 14 day of December, 1976.

[Signature]
Mayor.

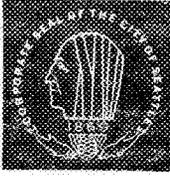
Filed by me this 14 day of December, 1976.

[Signature]
Attest: City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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By: Deputy Clerk.



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR—CITY OF SEATTLE

Wes Uhlman, Mayor

June 21, 1976

The City Council
The City of Seattle

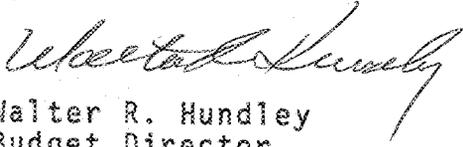
Honorable Members:

The attached letter from Dept. of Human Resources
Re: Senior Utility Discount and Identification Card Programs.
has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget. We
concur with the recommendation contained therein and recommend
that the same be adopted.

Sincerely,

Wes Uhlman
Mayor

by


Walter R. Hundley
Budget Director

WRH:
Attachments

cc: Mayor's Office

Your
Seattle
Department of Human Resources

Curtis M. Green, Jr., Director
Wes Uhlman, Mayor



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June 9, 1976

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT
& BUDGET

The Honorable Wesley C. Uhlman
Mayor, City of Seattle
1200 Municipal Building
Seattle, Washington 98104

Attention: Walter R. Hundley, Director
Office of Management and Budget

Dear Mayor Uhlman:

The attached draft ordinance and SOP 100-014 would amend Ordinances 101857, and 105537, replacing the current eligibility limits for the Senior Utility Discount and Identification Card programs. The current limits of \$4,000 for single persons and \$6,000 for couples in gross yearly income were set in 1973 and have not been updated in the past years of high inflation.

The amended ordinances would allow persons of age 65 or over with incomes of 80 percent or less of the Washington State median income to qualify for the programs. The income criteria are the same as used by the State Department of Social and Health Services to determine eligibility for Title XX services, and include provisions for updating the criteria to account for inflation. Under the amended ordinances, the majority of retired seniors living on low to modest incomes would be able to participate in these income-stretching reduced-fee services.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Curtis M. Green, Jr.
Director

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cc: Roy Stubbs
Mark Stensager

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CITY OF SEATTLE

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT
& BUDGET

SUBJECT:

MODIFICATION OF INCOME STANDARDS GOVERNING FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS IDENTIFICATION CARD AND UTILITY CREDIT/VOUCHER PROGRAM

1.0 PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To establish a new income standard of eligibility for the Senior Citizen I.D. card program, entitling persons over age 65 whose income falls within 80% of the State median income, to the benefits of the I.D. card discounts and Elderly Utility Credit Program. Furthermore, to establish an escalator provision allowing the standard to adjust to the current computation of the 80% median income.

2.0 ORGANIZATIONS AFFECTED:

- 2.1 City of Seattle Department of Human Resources
- 2.2 City of Seattle Department of Licenses and Consumer Affairs
- 2.3 City of Seattle Lighting Department
- 2.4 City of Seattle Treasurer's Office
- 2.5 City of Seattle Water Department
- 2.6 City of Seattle Engineering Department (Sewer & Solid Waste Utilities)

3.0 REFERENCES:

- 3.1 Ordinance #101667 (Ordinance creating the Department of Human Resources)
- 3.2 Ordinance #101857 (Ordinance establishing the Senior Citizen Identification Card Program)
- 3.3 Ordinance #102752 (Pet license discounts authorized for I.D. card holders)
- 3.4 Ordinance #104472 (Establishing Elderly Utility Credit Program)
- 3.5 Ordinance #105537 (Extending Utility Credit Program to residential hotel dwellers, and City water and sewer direct service customers living outside City limits.)

4.0 POLICY:

- 4.1 It is the policy of the City of Seattle to issue Senior Citizen Identification Cards to low income elderly residents of the City of Seattle, Seattle City Light customers who own their own appliances, and to provide

the elderly utility credits, as means of minimizing the impact of living on a limited income.

5.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 5.1 Senior Citizen Identification Card -- a card issued to low-income elderly residents of the City of Seattle or Seattle City Light customers who own their appliances for a free or reduced fee savings on various services.
- 5.2 Utility Credit and Voucher Program -- a credit allowed against the monthly bill of either Seattle City Light or the Combined Utilities bill. The amount of the credit is contingent upon the type and level of service received by the subscriber. The voucher program provides a credit bill which can be applied against rental charges to reduce the cost of utility charges for low-income elderly residents of residential hotels who are not direct utility customers. The vouchers allow the landlord to be reimbursed for the elderly tenant's reduction.
- 5.3 80% median income formula and income standard escalator -- an income standard based on the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services determination of financial eligibility for certain Title XX (Social Security Act) social services. The income escalator provides for an automatic adjustment of income standards based on the annual computation of the State median income.

6.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

- 6.1 The Department of Human Resources is responsible for overall administration of the Senior Citizen I.D. card and Utility Credit and Voucher program. The Department of Human Resources shall be responsible for coordinating with the Water Sewer and Solid Waste Utilities, City Light Department, Treasurer's Office, and the Department of Licenses and Consumer Affairs, to implement the new income standards. The Department of Human Resources shall be responsible for notifying the citizenry of the changes in income eligibility for the Senior Citizen Identification Card and Utility Credit/Voucher Program.

7.0 PROCEDURE:

Section 1--Title of Program or Proposal

Modification of income standards governing financial eligibility for the Senior Citizen's I.D. Card program and Utility Credit/Voucher program.

Section 2--Statement of Objectives

The proposal to change the income guidelines governing the Senior Citizen Identification Card and Utility Credit program is in response to the need to provide an income standard which allows the bulk of retired citizens living on low-to-modest incomes to participate in income stretching free

or fee reduced services. The current income standards of \$4,000 for an individual and \$6,000 for a married couple were established by ordinance in 1973. No provision was made in the ordinance to adjust this standard upward in line with increases in income precipitated by the rise in the cost of living. The proposed ordinance would adjust the basic income standard upward to a level which would allow 11,000 more persons to participate in the program. Furthermore, the proposed ordinance would allow for an automatic increase in the income standard based on the annual computation of State median income. Thus, the objectives of the proposed ordinance are: 1) to increase the scope of participation in the program and; 2) insure that the bulk of participants whose income increases proportionately to rises in the cost of living will be able to continue to participate.

Section 3--Fiscal Requirements

Most of the fiscal impact projected will be felt in terms of foregone revenue as a result of discounts and credits within the following departments:

1. Licensing and Consumer Affairs - fiscal impact potentially realized because of projected increases in reduced pet license transactions. The program currently issues about 4,300 reduced pet licenses annually, absorbing a \$14,000.00 loss on license revenue. Warren Watson, Pet License Supervisor, sees no problem in handling changes. Since only 10% of those currently holding I.D. cards utilize the pet license discount, we would project that only 10% of the 4,000 additional persons or 400 would also do so at an additional cost of about \$1,300.00.
2. Treasurer's Office - Administrative impact in volume increase of scrip sales. Scrip use amounts to about \$10,000.00 in sales annually for 40,000 I.D. card holders. The scrip allows I.D. card holders to ride city taxis at a 20% reduced fare. The 20% loss on fares is absorbed by the taxi industry.
3. City Light - Impact on free parts for appliances owned by Senior Citizen I.D. card holders. Archie Snyder, Supervisor of Customer Equipment Services, believes City Light can absorb impact on free parts.
4. Water, Sewer, Solid Waste Utilities - Administrative impact due to increases in volume of applications processed for verification, fiscal impact - foregone revenue. Ray Hill, Water Department's Principal Accountant indicates that present rate structure can withstand a 4,000 person increase (cost, approximately \$220,000.00 annually in foregone revenue to water, sewer and solid waste), plus an additional start-up request for \$2,500.00 which may come from a Water Department contribution.
5. Department of Human Resources - Administrative impact at the Senior Information Center which is responsible for the intake and processing of I.D. cards and the Utility Credit program, from increase in volume and need to publicize changes projected. The volume surge caused by the change in the program will require an additional appropriation of \$2,500.00 for a temporary addition of staffing. These costs will be an

ongoing part of the discount programs as they now exist. Additional on-going costs are noted for appropriate departments.

Section 4--Personnel Requirements

The temporary surge in applications anticipated by the proposed program eligibility changes and increased publicity will require an appropriation of \$2,500.00 to be placed in the budget of the Department of Human Resources Utility Credit Fund within the Division on Aging budget. This appropriation will be used for temporary additional staff at the Senior Information Center.

Section 5--Facilities and Equipment Requirements

The proposed changes in program participation will not impact any department with respect to facilities and equipment requirements.

Section 6--Evaluation Criteria and Reporting

The goal shall be to reach as many persons as possible who are eligible for the Senior Citizen I.D. card and Utility Credit/Voucher program. The evaluation criteria established in the program planning of the Division on Aging's 1976 budget shall be used as the measure of program effectiveness in terms of publicity and response from the eligible population. The goal during the first year will be 4,000 or 40% of projected eligible population within the new income category established by the ordinance changes. At the time of the ordinance change this income range, at 80% of the median income applied to individuals with gross incomes between \$4,001-\$5,838 annually and married couples with gross annual incomes between \$6,001-\$7,635.

Section 7--Alternatives

Alternatives include the following:

1. Take no action inspite of numerous request to adjust income standard in line with current income and cost of living.
2. Consider altering income standard in one of the following ways:
 - a. Maintain current \$4,000 and \$6,000 limits, but provide an exemption of 1/3 of Social Security income and certain other forms of retirement income with an escalator clause based on cost of living increases from Social Security.
 - b. Consider utilizing King County median income (about \$14,000) for formula based on 80% median income rather than State median income (\$11,288).
3. Consider lowering age of eligibility rather than altering income standard (impact would probably be too great to bear if both income standard and age were adjusted simultaneously).

4. Consider altering income standard for I.D. card while maintaining eligibility for Utility Credit at present income standards.

Of the alternatives the least desirable is no action. To take no action would appear irresponsible and callous in the face of the many requests which have been made by Senior Citizens to raise the income limits.

AN ORDINANCE relating to the senior citizen's I.D. card program amending Section 4 of Ordinance 101857, Section 3 of Ordinance 104472, and Section 3 of Ordinance 105537 to provide for cost of living increases in the income standard for the Senior Citizen's identification card and Elderly Utility Credit program.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 4 of Ordinance 101857 is amended to read as follows:

Section 4. the total fare computed in accordance with such rates may be paid in script by any handicapped person as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance or by the holder of an identification card which shall be issued by the Department of Human Resources to persons sixty-five years of age or older whose income falls within 80% of the current Washington State median income. The annual income for an individual shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a one person household. The annual income for a married couple shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a two person household. Automatic adjustments in the income limits shall coincide with the annual computation of State median income, which The script

Section 2. That Section 3 of Ordinance 104472 is amended to read as follows:

Section 3. b) has a maximum annual income not to exceed 80% of the current Washington State median income. The annual income for an individual shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a one person household. The annual income for a married couple shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a two person household. Automatic adjustments in the income limits shall coincide with the annual computation of State median income;

Section 3. That Section 3 of Ordinance 105537 is amended to read as follows:

Section 3. b) has a maximum annual income not to exceed 80% of the current Washington State median income. The annual income for an individual

shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a one person household. The annual income for a married couple shall not exceed the 80% level of current median income established for a two person household. Automatic adjustments in the income limits shall coincide with the annual computation of State median income;

Your City, Seattle

Executive Department-Office of Management and Budget

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MEMORANDUM

November 8, 1976

To: Jeanette Williams
From: Walter R. Hundley *by OW*
Subject: Senior Citizen I.D. Card and Utility/Voucher Program

Transmitted herewith are four charts outlining the estimated costs of changes to the income and age limitations of the above referenced programs. The Executive Recommendation is detailed in the first chart. The net increase costs (including revenue loss to the utilities) is estimated to be \$260,572.

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Attachment

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

80% median income - age 65+

The proposed standard would increase the current income eligibility for a single person from a maximum annual income of \$4,001 up to \$6,407, and married couples maximum income allowances would be increased from \$6,001 to \$8,378 annually.

Dept./ Program	# of additional persons or households projected to participate	Current Cost	Net Cost Increase	Total
		Includes Administrative Cost		
City Light P-65 Free Parts Program	17,432 Households	\$49,000	\$43,700	\$92,700
Water Dept. Utility Credit Program	4,184 Households		a. \$ 42,672*	
			b. \$ 57,744	
			c. \$100,416	
		d. \$389,000*	d. \$200,832	d. \$589,832
		e. \$ 14,000	e. \$ 7,000	e. \$ 21,000
		f. \$403,000	f. \$207,832	f. \$610,832
	(1977)			
Licensing & Consumer Affairs Pet License Discount	15,060 New eligible households	\$15,638	\$7,240	\$22,878
Human Resources Senior Information Center (I.D. cards)	11,783 Persons	\$54,099	\$1,800	\$55,899
Park Dept. Reduced Golf fees	not applicable	\$3,000	not applicable	\$3,000
Totals		\$524,737	\$260,572	\$785,309

- * a. Water
- b. Sewer
- c. Solid Waste
- d. Sub-total
- e. Administrative Cost
- f. Total

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NET COST INCREASE: \$260,572

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

80% Median
Age 60+
Income
\$0-\$6,407
Single
\$0-\$8,378
Married

Dept./ Program	Projected Participation	Current Cost	Net Cost Increase	Total
City Light P-65 free parts	26,892 Households	\$49,000	\$67,416	\$116,416
Water Dept. Utility Credit Program	6,454 Households		a. \$ 65,832*	\$723,792
			b. \$ 89,064	
			c. \$154,896	
		d. \$389,000*	d. \$309,792	
		e. \$ 14,000	e. \$ 11,000	
		f. \$403,000	f. \$320,792	
Licensing & Consumer Affairs Pet License Discount	21,514 New eligible Households	\$15,638	\$11,181	\$ 26,819
Human Resources Senior Information Center (I.D. Cards)	20,039 Persons	\$54,099	\$ 1,800	\$ 55,899
Park Dept. Reduced Golf Fees	440 Persons	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,172	\$ 4,172
Totals		\$524,737	\$402,361	\$927,098

- * a. Water (Revenue loss)
 b. Sewer (Revenue loss)
 c. Solid Waste (Revenue loss)
 d. Sub-Total (with Solid Waste 1999 rate reduction)
 e. Administrative Cost
 f. Total

NET COST INCREASE: \$402,361

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION*

70% Median
Age 60+
Income
\$0-\$5,607
Single
\$0-\$7,331
Married

Dept./ Program	Projected Participation	Current Cost	Net Cost Increase	Total
City Light P-65 free parts	18,973 Households	\$49,000	\$47,579	\$96,579
Water Dept. Utility Credit Program	4,553 Households		a. \$ 46,440*	\$629,544
			b. \$ 62,832	
			c. \$109,272	
		d. \$389,000*	d. \$218,544	
		e. \$ 14,000	e. \$ 8,000	
		f. \$403,000	f. \$226,544	
Licensing & Consumer Affairs Pet License Discount	15,778 New Eligible Households	\$15,638	\$ 7,835	\$23,473
Human Resources Senior Information Center (I.D. Cards)	14,383 Persons	\$54,099	\$ 1,800	\$55,899
Park Dept. Reduced Golf Fees	440 Persons	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,172	\$ 4,172
Totals		\$524,737	\$284,930	\$809,667

- * a. Water (Revenue loss)
- b. Sewer (Revenue loss)
- c. Solid Waste (Revenue loss)
- d. Sub-Total (with Solid Waste 1977 rate reduction)
- e. Administrative Cost
- f. Total

NET COST INCREASE: \$284,930

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION

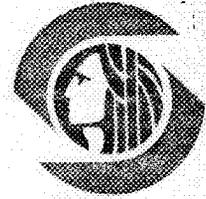
70% Median
Age 65+
Income
\$4,001-\$5,607
Single
\$6,001-\$7,331
Married

Dept./ Program	Projected Participation	Current Cost	Net Cost Increase	Total
City Light P-65 free parts	11,134 Households	\$49,000	\$27,921	\$76,921
Water Dept. Utility Credit Program	2,672 Households		a. \$ 27,252*	
			b. \$ 36,876	
			c. \$ 64,128	
			d. \$389,000*	d. \$128,256
			e. \$ 14,000	e. 4,000
			f. \$403,000	f. \$132,256
Licensing & Consumer Affairs Pet License Discount	11,045 new eligible households	\$15,638	\$4,567	\$20,205
Human Resources Senior Information Center (I.D. Cards)	7,607 Persons	\$54,099	\$1,800.00	\$55,899
Park Dept. Reduced Golf Fees	Not Applicable	\$3,000	Not Applicable	\$3,000
Totals		\$524,737	\$166,544 Total	\$691,281 Total

- * a. Water *(Revenue Loss)*
- b. Sewer *(Revenue Loss)*
- c. Solid Waste *(Revenue Loss)*
- d. Sub-Total *(with Solid Waste rate reduction)*
- e. Administrative Cost
- f. Total

NET COST INCREASE: \$166,544

Seattle City Council



July 28, 1976

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President of the Council
625-2465

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Operations Committee
625-2453

Rosella Bailey, President
King County Elder Citizens Coalition
of Washington
925 East Alder
Seattle, Washington 98122

Dear Rosella:

Thank you for your recent letter in which you forwarded a resolution passed at your Annual Convention supporting an increase in the income level for those senior citizens wishing to participate in the Senior Utility Discount and Identification Card programs.

I am enclosing a copy of the proposed ordinance requested by the Executive Department. The ordinance would allow persons 65 years or older with incomes of 80% or less of the Washington State median income to qualify for the programs. The income standard is based on the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services determination of financial eligibility for certain Title XX (Social Security Act) social services. The criteria would provide for an automatic adjustment to account for inflation.

A public hearing on the proposed ordinance has tentatively been scheduled for Tuesday, August 17, before my Human Resources and Operations Committee. The Committee meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. in the City Council Chamber. You will receive notification as soon as the hearing is definitely scheduled.

Again, I appreciate your forwarding the Coalition's position on this issue. I look forward to your participation in the forthcoming public hearing.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Williams
City Council Member
Seattle City Council

JW:lm
Enc.

The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

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Your Committee on

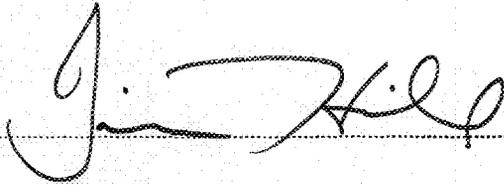
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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF WASHINGTON,
KING COUNTY—SS.

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ORDINANCE NO 106045

was published on Dec 16, 1976

B. Abbott
Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Dec 16, 1976

[Signature]
Notary Public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle.

ORDINANCE 198745

AN ACT AMENDING Section 4 of Ordinance 22865 to modify the maximum income limits for the use of taxi fare scrip by elderly persons, and amending Section 3 of Ordinance 124473 to modify the maximum income limits for the receipt of elderly utility credits.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 4 of Ordinance 22865, as last amended by Ordinance 193494, is further amended to read as follows:

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for anyone driving or operating, or engaged in the business of operating taxicabs, for-hire cars, special services vehicles, or sightseeing cars or charter buses, to charge, demand, collect, or receive any greater or less rate of fare than the following:

TAXICAB METER RATES:

For one passenger for the first 1/6 mile or fraction thereof	\$3.50
Thereafter for each additional 1/6 mile, or fraction thereof10
For every one minute of waiting time12
For each additional passenger20

(No additional passenger shall be picked up without the express consent of the original passenger), provided that the total fare computed in accordance with such rates may be paid in scrip by any handicapped person as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance or by the holder of an identification card which shall be issued by the Department of Human Resources in persons sixty-five years of age or older whose income, IF SINGLE IS NOT MORE THAN SEVENTY (70) PER CENT OF THE WASHINGTON STATE MEDIAN INCOME FOR A ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLD AS COMPUTED ANNUALLY BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON OR THE CITY OR WHOSE INCOME, IF MARRIED, TOGETHER WITH THAT OF HIS HER SPOUSE IS NOT MORE THAN SEVENTY PER CENT (70) OF THE WASHINGTON STATE MEDIAN INCOME FOR A TWO PERSON HOUSEHOLD AS COMPUTED ANNUALLY BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON OR THE CITY. Scrip shall be printed in the form prescribed by the City Treasurer and shall be sold and redeemed by the City Treasurer at a price which shall be equal to seventy percent (70) of the face value thereof; provided further that said rates, insofar as they establish a minimum rate, shall not apply--

(1) to the transportation of handicapped students under contract with any public or private school or school district if such contract or satisfactory evidence thereof has been theretofore filed with the City Comptroller, or

(2) to the transportation in any vehicle being operated under a special services vehicle permit of persons sixty-five years of age or older or handicapped persons as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance.

FOR-HIRE CAR RATES:

For the first two hours of driving time or fraction thereof	\$13.00
For each successive hour or fraction thereof, at the rate of	\$ 8.00 per hour

A flat rate shall be permitted for funerals only, provided such flat rate shall not be less than the minimum charge for two hours of driving time as hereinabove in this section provided.

SIGHTSEEING CAR RATES:

information, and shall provide such other data as is deemed appropriate upon forms and in the manner determined by the Department of Human Resources.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 6th day of December, 1976, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 6th day of December, 1976.

SAM SMITH,
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 14th day of December, 1976.

WES UHLMAN,
Mayor.

Filed by me this 14th day of December, 1976.

Attest: E. L. KIDD,
City Comptroller and
City Clerk.

(Seal) By W. ANGEVINE,
Deputy Clerk.

Publication ordered by E. L. KIDD, Comptroller and City Clerk.

Date of Official Publication in the Daily Journal of Commerce, Seattle, December 15, 1976. (C-827)

Charges for the transportation in any special services vehicle of persons sixty-five years of age or older or handicapped persons as defined in Section 1 of this ordinance shall be in accordance with the schedule of rates, fares and charges filed with the City Comptroller by the permit holder for any such special services vehicle, provided that any such schedule of rates, fares and charges shall be uniform as to all special services vehicles having the same color scheme; and provided further that no such schedule of rates, fares and charges shall be the same as or greater than the taxicab meter rates established in this section. Said rates shall not apply to the transportation of passengers between docks, railroad stations, hotels and airports when the passenger pays fare by means of a transfer coupon forming a part of a through ticket issued by a transportation company, but provided that when the transportation is by means of a taxicab, the taxicab meter shall be in operation.

Section 3. That Section 3 of Ordinance 194472, as last amended by Ordinance 195537, is further amended to read as follows:

Section 3. To implement the program provided for in Section 1 hereof "Elderly Utility Credits" shall be issued to each person who shows satisfactory proof that he or she:

- a) is 65 years of age or older, and
- b) has a maximum annual income, if single, OF NOT MORE THAN SEVENTY PER CENT (70) OF THE WASHINGTON STATE MEDIAN INCOME FOR A ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLD AS COMPUTED ANNUALLY BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON OR THE CITY OR WHOSE ANNUAL INCOME, IF MARRIED, TOGETHER WITH THAT OF HIS OR HER SPOUSE, DOES NOT EXCEED SEVENTY PER CENT (70) OF THE WASHINGTON STATE MEDIAN INCOME FOR A TWO PERSON HOUSEHOLD AS COMPUTED ANNUALLY BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON OR THE CITY.
- c) is a single occupant or the head of a household or the spouse of the head of the household; and
- d) resides in a dwelling unit served directly by the City's Water, Sewer or Solid Waste Utilities; and
- e) is billed or is the spouse of a person billed by the Light, Water, Sewer, or Solid Waste Utilities; or, if not so billed, has resided for a period of not less than ninety (90) consecutive days in a rental unit in which the amount of the Water, Sewer or Solid Waste rate increases affect the amount of the rent charged.

Applicants shall verify such