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AN ORDINANCE relating to taxicabs; increasing the taxicab regulatory license fees, inspection

the maximum number of taxicab licenses issued by the City; imposing requirements concerning the issuance and maintenance of new taxicab licenses; restricting the

providing for the regulation of taxicab licenses on vehicles subject to loans; revising obsolete provisions and terminology; adding new sections to the Seattle Municipal Code;

and amending Sections 6.310.110, 6.310.150, 6.310.300, 6.310.320, 6.310.330,

WHEREAS, many of the taxicab license fees and inspection fees contained in SMC Chapter

WHEREAS, the City has determined it is prudent for taxicab operators to carry underinsured

WHEREAS, Seattle taxicab drivers who must lease taxicab vehicles have been negatively

WHEREAS, the City needs to prohibit the practice of subleasing taxicabs by drivers to ensure

WHEREAS, the City has issued nearly the maximum number of taxicab licenses currently

cost of the taxicab and for-hire vehicle regulatory program; and

practices will improve working conditions for the drivers; and

and 6.310.610 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

conditions for lease of taxicabs; raising the minimum underinsured motorist coverages;

6.310.340, 6.310.350, 6.310.450, 6.310.455, 6.310.460, 6.310.465, 6.310.470, 6.310.500,

6.310 have not been raised since 2005 and an increase in fees is necessary to cover the

motorist insurance coverage equal to the liability coverage specified in chapter 46.72

impacted by disadvantageous lease rates and conditions, and regulation of taxicab leasing

that all taxicab drivers are licensed and comply with the requirements of SMC Chapter

fees, and miscellaneous fees; restricting the transferability of new taxicab licenses; raising

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authorized under SMC Section 6.310.500, and it is necessary to increase the authorized maximum number to meet current and future demand for efficient and economical taxicab service; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that taxicab licenses can be secured by individual owners and drivers as well as by organized business entities, the City intends to restrict the issuance and transferability of any new taxicab licenses, and require the licensee to personally operate

the cab a minimum amount of time, for five years following the issuance date; and

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WHEREAS, to encourage the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in Seattle, the Director of Executive Administration seeks the authority to set vehicle standards and that will allow the Seattle taxicab fleet to move toward hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles for energy efficiency and pollution reduction; and

WHEREAS, to encourage financial institutions such as those certified under the Community Development Financial Institution Fund to make loans to taxicab licensees for the purchase of environmentally-efficient vehicles, the City intends to regulate taxicab licenses for vehicles that are collateral for such loans and ensure that the lender approves of prospective license transfers; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 6.310.110 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows: **6.310.110 Definitions.**

For the purposes of this chapter and unless the context plainly requires otherwise, the following definitions apply:

- A. "Affected licensee" means any licensee that may incur some penalty as a result of a violation. For example, if a for-hire driver of a taxicab commits a violation, the for-hire driver, the taxicab owner, and the taxicab association with which that taxicab is associated are all affected licensees.
- B. "Affiliated taxicab" means a taxicab licensed to operate within a particular taxicab association.
- C. "Approved mechanic" means a mechanic on a list maintained by the Director. The list shall contain the name of each mechanic that has applied to the Director for inclusion and who (1) has met all requirements of the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence, (2) has been awarded a Certificate in Evidence of Competence satisfactory to the Director, (3) does not

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own, lease or drive a taxicab or for-hire vehicle, and (4) has no financial interest, including any employment interest, in any taxicab association, taxicab or for-hire vehicle or in any company that owns or leases taxicabs or for-hire vehicles.

- D. "Certificate of Safety" means a document from an approved mechanic certifying that a particular vehicle meets all vehicle safety standards set forth in this chapter and in regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter.
- E. "Committed a violation" means that a licensee has been issued a Notice of Violation and either has not contested the violation or did contest the violation but lost.
- F. "Community Development Financial Institution" means a non-profit loan fund certified by the Community Development Financial Institution Fund of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, that serves economically distressed communities and underserved populations by providing credit, capital and financial services that are normally unavailable from traditional financial institutions.
- ((F))G. "Contract rate" means the rate specified in a written contract signed by both parties before the dispatch of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle for the services identified in the contract. Contracts for package delivery may be made on an oral basis.
- ((G))<u>H</u>. "Department" means the Department of Executive Administration of The City of Seattle, or any department that succeeds to the Department's duties under this chapter.
- ((H))<u>I</u>. "Director" means the Director of Executive Administration or the director of any successor department and the Director's authorized designee.

| ((1)) <u>J</u> . "For-hire driver" means any person in physical control of a taxicab or for-hire |
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| ehicle, who is required to be licensed under this chapter. The term includes a lease driver, |
| wner/operator, or employee who drives taxicabs or for-hire vehicles. |

- $((J))\underline{K}$. "For-hire vehicle" means any motor vehicle used for the transportation of passengers for compensation, except:
 - 1. Taxicabs as defined in this chapter;
 - 2. School buses operating exclusively under a contract to a school district;
 - 3. Ride-sharing vehicles under Chapter 46.74 RCW;
 - 4. Limousine carriers licensed under Chapter 81.90 RCW;
 - 5. Vehicles used by nonprofit transportation providers solely for elderly or handicapped persons and their attendants under Chapter 81.66 RCW;
 - 6. Vehicles used by auto transportation companies licensed under Chapter 81.68 RCW;
 - 7. Vehicles used to provide courtesy transportation at no charge to and from parking lots, hotels, and rental offices; and
 - 8. Vehicles licensed under, and used to provide "charter party carrier" and "excursion service carrier" services as defined in, and required by, Chapter 81.70 RCW.
- (K)<u>L</u>. "Handicapped person" means any person who, by reason of illness, injury, age, congenital malfunction, or other permanent or temporary incapacity or disability, is unable without special facilities or special planning or design to use mass transportation facilities and services as efficiently as persons who are not so affected. Handicapped persons include ambulatory persons whose capacities are hindered by sensory disabilities such as blindness or

deafness, such mental disabilities as mental retardation or emotional illness, and physical disabilities that still permit the person to walk comfortably, or a combination of these disabilities. It also includes a semiambulatory person who requires such special aids to travel as canes, crutches, walkers, respirators, or human assistance, and a nonambulatory person who must use wheelchairs or wheelchair-like equipment to travel.

- ((£))M. "Knowingly permit" means (1) to know of an action or condition that violates this chapter or any regulation promulgated pursuant to this chapter, and (2) to fail to take reasonable steps to cure the violation and to prevent future violations. There is a rebuttable presumption that a person knows a fact, action or condition of which a reasonable person in the same position would have knowledge.
- ((M))N. "Lease driver" means a for-hire driver who is an independent contractor/sole proprietor who has leased a taxicab or for-hire vehicle from a taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) licensee or taxicab association.
- O. "Lender" means a bank, trust company, mutual savings bank, savings and loan association, or credit union authorized to do business and accept deposits in this state under state or federal law and includes a Community Development Financial Institution qualified and approved by the Director to provide loans to licensees under SMC Section 6.310.380.
- $((N))\underline{P}$. "Lessor" means ((an owner)) a licensee of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle who leases to a lease driver.
- $((\Theta))Q$. "Licensee" means any person or entity licensed under this chapter, including forhire drivers, taxicab or for-hire vehicle owners, and taxicab associations.

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may be transported or carried upon a public street, highway or alley; provided, that vehicles used exclusively upon stationary rail tracks or propelled by use of overhead electric wires are not considered motor vehicles for purposes of this chapter.

((P))R. "Motor vehicle" means every motorized vehicle by or upon which any person

- ((Q))S. "Operating in The City of Seattle" means owning, leasing, advertising, driving, occupying and/or otherwise using a taxicab or for-hire vehicle that at any time transports any passenger or item for compensation from a point within the geographical confines of The City of Seattle. The vehicle is considered to be operating during the administering of inspections at the City's inspection facility. The term does not include being in control of a vehicle that is physically inoperable. A taxicab association is "operating in The City of Seattle" if it represents or includes any taxicab that at any time transports any passenger or item for compensation from a point within the geographical confines of The City of Seattle.
- $((\mathbf{R}))\underline{\mathbf{T}}$. "Owner" means the person whose lawful right of possession of a taxicab or forhire vehicle has most recently been recorded with the state Department of Motor Vehicles.
- $((S))\underline{U}$. "Senior Citizen" means any person over the age of sixty (60) with a valid identification confirming that person's age.
- $((\mathbf{T}))\underline{\mathbf{V}}$. "Special rate" means discounted rates for senior citizens and handicapped persons.
 - $((U))\underline{W}$. "Taxicab" means every motor vehicle:
 - 1. That is held out to the public as providing transportation to passengers or articles for hire;

- 2. Where the route traveled or destination is controlled by the customer;
- 3. That carries signs or indicia of a taxicab, including the words "taxi," "taxicab," or "cab"; and
- 4. Where the fare is based on an amount recorded and indicated on a taximeter, or by a special contract rate permitted under this chapter. Despite the foregoing, "taxicab" does not include those vehicles listed in SMC Section 6.310.110 J2-J8 or for-hire vehicles.

 $((\Psi))\underline{X}$. "Taxicab association" means a person or organization licensed under this chapter that represents or owns at least fifteen (15) taxicabs licensed by the City that use the same color scheme, trade name, and dispatch services. An individual person may be a taxicab association as long as that individual owns or represents at least fifteen (15) taxicabs and otherwise meets the requirements of this chapter; provided, that for taxicab associations formed in connection with the wheelchair accessible taxicab demonstration project provided for under this chapter, the Director may waive the requirement for such taxicab associations to have fifteen (15) licensed taxicabs and any taxicab association license fee for the duration of the demonstration project.

 $((W))\underline{Y}$. "Taxicab association representative" means the person or persons that a taxicab association has authorized to:

- 1. File applications, special contract rates and charges on behalf of the taxicab association and individual owners in the taxicab association; and
- 2. Receive and accept all correspondence and notices from the City pertaining to the taxicab association, or to the taxicabs, taxicab owners and/or for-hire drivers operating within the taxicab association; and

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3. Forward any correspondence, notices and/or legal process received by the association and intended for a taxicab owner and/or taxicab driver operating within the taxicab association.

((X))Z. "Taximeter" means any instrument or device by which the charge for hire of a passenger carrying vehicle is measured or calculated either for the distance traveled by such vehicle or for waiting time, or for both, and upon which such calculated charges shall be indicated by means of figures.

((¥))<u>AA</u>. "Wheelchair accessible taxicab" means a taxicab designed or modified to transport passengers in wheelchairs or other mobility devices and conforming to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and inspected and approved by the Director.

Section 2. Section 6.310.150 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows: **6.310.150 Fees.**

The following nonrefundable fees shall apply:

A. Taxicab association:

Annual fee....\$((900)) 1,000

Late renewal fee....\$((90)) 100

Fingerprinting of owners and officers....Charge as determined by Director to cover costs.

B. Taxicab or for-hire vehicle license:

Annual fee $((\frac{\text{(through }5/15/06)}))....\$((250))$ 600

| 1 | ((Annual fee (eff. 5/16/06)\$300)) |
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| 2 | Wheelchair accessible taxicab annual license feeWaived |
| 3 | Late fee (license renewal)\$((30)) $\underline{60}$ |
| 4 | Change of vehicle\$((75)) <u>100</u> |
| 5 | Change of vehicle licensee: |
| 6 | Change of vehicle needsee. |
| 7 | ((Effective through August 31, 2005: |
| 8 | September February\$240 |
| 9 | March August (half year)\$120 |
| 10 | July 16 August 31* |
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| 12 | Effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006: |
| 13 | September – January\$250 |
| 14 | February June (half year)\$125 |
| 15 | July 16 August 31* |
| 16 | Effective July 1, 2006 (new license year period))) |
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| 18 | July – December\$((300)) <u>600</u> |
| 19 | January – June (half year)\$((150)) 300 |
| 20 | May 16 June 30 * |
| 21 | Replace taxicab plate\$25 |
| 22 | Replace taxical plate\$25 |
| 23 | Special inspection fee**\$((60)) <u>100</u> /hour (1/2 hour minimum) |
| 24 | Inspection rescheduling fee (non-City licensed vehicles only)\$25 |
| 25 | Taxicab change of association affiliation $\$((60))$ 100 |
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| | Vehicle re-inspection fee (for Class A violations) $\$((25))$ 50 |
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| | Suspension reinstatement fee (when no penalty is assessed) or reinspection fee |
| | (for Class B violations)\$((60)) <u>100</u> |
| | Change of licensee corporation, limited liability company, or partnership |
| | members\$100 |
| | Security camera system inspection (when not part of annual inspection)\$50 |
| | Taximeter test (when not part of annual inspection)\$50 |
| | FingerprintingCharge as determined by Director to cover costs |
| | * ((No change of taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee fee is due if the transfer |
| | occurs between July 16 — Aug. 31, 2005. Effective January 1, 2006, n)) No |
| | change of taxicab <u>licensee or</u> for-hire vehicle licensee fee is due if the transfer |
| | occurs between May 16 June 30. During ((these)) this period((s)), the change of |
| | taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee and the annual license renewal are |
| | accomplished together and only one (1) fee will be assessed. |
| | * * For testing of taxicab meter or taxicab inspections provided to other |
| | municipalities. |
| C. For | r-hire driver license: |
| | Annual fee\$75 * * * * |
| | Add/change affiliation* * *\$20 |
| | Late fee\$15 |

ID photo....\$5

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Fingerprinting....Charge as determined by Director to cover costs

Replacement license....\$5

Training class fee....As determined by Director

* * * For-hire drivers may only be affiliated with a maximum of three (3) taxicab associations at any given time. This fee is only charged when the driver is affiliated with three (3) associations and now wants to delete one (1) association and add another.

* * * * If a for-hire driver has a King County license, no additional fee is charged for a Seattle for-hire driver license. An endorsement will be added to the King County for-hire driver license stating that the license is valid for Seattle also. The driver must still meet all Seattle for-hire driver requirements and obtain a City of Seattle business license.

Section 3. Subsection C of Section 6.310.300 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

6.310.300 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle license application.

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- C. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle license application shall include the following information:
 - 1. Applicant type:

- a. If the applicant is an individual, the vehicle owner's full name, home address, home and business telephone number and date of birth (which shall be at least eighteen (18) years prior to the date of application)((5)); or
- b. If the applicant is a corporation, <u>limited liability company</u>, partnership or other legal entity, the names, home addresses, telephone numbers and dates of birth (which must be at least eighteen (18) years before the date of application) for the corporation's or entity's officers, directors, general and managing partners, registered agents, and each person vested with authority to manage or direct the affairs of the legal entity or to bind the legal entity in dealings with third parties; the corporation's, <u>limited liability company's</u>, partnership's or entity's true legal name, state of incorporation or partnership registration (if any), business address and telephone and facsimile numbers and State of Washington business license number, and any other information that the Director may reasonably require((;)).
- 2. Vehicle information, including the name of the taxicab association with which a taxicab is or will be affiliated, the taxicab or for-hire vehicle number assigned by any regulatory agency, the make, model, year, vehicle identification number, Washington State vehicle license plate number, and any other vehicle information required by rule or regulation promulgated under this chapter((;)).
- 3. Information as requested by the Department pertaining to any driver's, for-hire vehicle or taxicab license suspension, denial, nonrenewable or revocation, imposed in connection

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with a taxicab or for-hire vehicle owned or leased by the vehicle owner within the last three (3) years($(\frac{1}{7})$).

- 4. Criminal history, as requested by the Department, of the vehicle owner, or if the vehicle owner is a business entity, of the persons specified in subsection C1b above((\ddot)).
- 5. Insurance policy ((declarations)) or insurance binder proving compliance with Chapter 46.72 RCW, as now or hereafter amended, for each taxicab or for-hire vehicle for which a license is sought. The insurance policy ((declarations)) or insurance binder shall:
 - a. Be issued by an admitted carrier in the State of Washington with an A.M. Best's Rating of not less than A- and be not less than A.M. Best's Financial Size Category VII; provided however, that the Director may temporarily suspend any or all of these requirements if no other viable insurance options are available to the industry,
 - b. Name The City of Seattle as an additional insured,
 - c. Provide that the insurer will notify the Director, in writing, of any cancellation at least thirty (30) days before that cancellation takes effect, and
 - d. Not include self-insured retention, nonstandard deductibles, aggregate limits, territorial restrictions, named driver requirements, or any other provisions that limit insurance coverage((;)).
- 6. Certificate of underinsured motorist coverage indicating a minimum coverage of ((Fifty)) One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$((50))100,000) per person, and ((One)) Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$((100))300,000) per accident((:)).

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8. State of Washington vehicle registration((;)).

7. State of Washington For-hire Certificate((\(\frac{1}{2}\))).

- 9. Certificate of safety as required in SMC Section 6.310.320 E((\(\frac{1}{2}\))).
- 10. Certificate of taxicab association membership (if application is for a taxicab license) ((; and)).
- 11. Any other documents required by regulations promulgated under this chapter.
- 12. The above application and information must also be completed and supplied during any annual license renewal.

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Section 4. A new section 6.310.315 is added to the Seattle Municipal Code, as follows:

6.310.315 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle – Vehicle lease requirements

- A. All lease agreements for taxicabs shall be in writing, and the lessor shall file the original lease agreement with the Director prior to the effective date of the lease in a manner specified by rule adopted by the Director.
- B. The lease amount charged to a driver shall not exceed the maximum amount established by rule adopted by the Director. In determining the maximum lease amount, the Director shall consider vehicle purchase prices, the cost of insurance premiums, fuel costs, and variations in the Consumer Price Index evaluated over a twenty-four (24) month time period preceding the determination of the lease amount, and may consider any other factors that may affect the market for taxicab leases or that may affect the provision of taxicab services.

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- C. A taxicab lease shall require the driver to pay only the lease charge, and may not include any other expenses, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Vehicle purchase,
 - 2. Vehicle repairs or maintenance,
 - 3. Vehicle registration,
 - 4. Vehicle insurance,
 - 5. Taxicab association dispatch fees,
 - 6. Notice of violation monetary penalties for violations of vehicle standards,
 - 7. Vehicle damage deposits, or
 - 8. Any other expense or deposit.
- D. All violations of the requirements under subsections A through C of this section shall be Class C violations charged against the lessor. Upon satisfaction of the notice and hearing requirements under SMC Section 6.310.635, any lessor who is found to have committed a violation shall be subject to a 14-day taxicab license suspension for the first offense, a 60-day taxicab license suspension for the second offense, and thereafter, shall be subject to revocation of the taxicab license if found to have committed a third offense. The penalties imposed by this section shall apply regardless of the time period in which cumulative violations occur.
- E. Subleasing taxicabs is prohibited (14-day for-hire driver license suspension and ClassB).
- F. By September 1, 2010, the Director shall provide a written report to the City Council concerning taxicab leases. The written report shall include an analysis of the effects of

Subsections A-C on taxicab service and on the business of providing taxicab transportation services in Seattle, and shall include the Director's recommendations regarding the ongoing regulation of taxicab leases.

Section 5. Section 6.310.320 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.320 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle – Vehicle operating requirements.

No taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensed by the City may lawfully operate within The City of Seattle unless the following minimum vehicle requirements are met:

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- K. ((Effective July 15, 2005, t)) The taxicab is equipped to accept credit cards (Class A);
- L. The taxicab is equipped with a properly sealed, working, and accurate receipt-issuing taximeter or receipt-issuing mobile data terminal, as prescribed by the Director (suspension and Class B). ((The receipt-issuing taximeter or receipt-issuing mobile data terminal must be installed when the taxicab is replaced, but no later than June 30, 2006 (denial of license)));
- M. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle is equipped with a passenger information decal, the size, material, and placement of which is prescribed by the Director by rule. Such decal shall include the taxicab or for-hire vehicle name and number and the taxi complaint hotline telephone number. ((Effective December 31, 2005, a)) A passenger information notice in Braille and raised lettering must be installed as prescribed by the Director by rule. ((Effective December 31, 2005, p)) Passenger survey and complaint cards must be available to passengers in the rear passenger seating area (Class A -- each);

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| N. The taxicab contains no scanner or other type of receiver that is capable of monitor | ing |
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| another Taxicab Association's assigned frequency, except as otherwise permitted by the Direct | tor |
| (suspension and Class B); | |

- O. The taxicab is equipped and operated so that it can be contacted by continuous two-way radio communications using a central dispatch radio base station and a noncell frequency assigned and licensed by the FCC to an association or contracted dispatch service((-)) (summary suspension and Class B);
- P. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle meets the ((minimum size)) vehicle requirements ((as)) prescribed by Director's rule, including but not limited to vehicle size and standards for fuel efficiency and emissions (denial of license);
- Q. The for-hire vehicle must have any color scheme ((\overline{\text{or}})) and vehicle number approved with the Director (summary suspension and Class B);
- R. Signs, including notices, announcements, pictures, advertisements or other messages, are allowed in or on taxicabs only as prescribed by this Chapter and by rule promulgated by the Director concerning the manner in which such signs may be displayed, including, but not limited to, requirements concerning the number of signs per vehicle, placement on or within vehicles, size limitations, and devices or mechanisms used to display such signs (Class A);
- S. ((After March 1, 2006, t)) The taxicab must be equipped with an operable digital security camera system approved by the Director pursuant to specifications provided by rule and adopted by the Director (summary suspension and Class B). The requirement for digital security cameras will expire on March 1, 2009, unless the City of Seattle adopts an ordinance to extend

| the requirement. Access to images made by any digital security camera is restricted to law |
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| enforcement personnel solely for the investigation and prosecution of crimes (Class C). Nothing |
| in this subsection S shall be construed to remove a law enforcement agency's obligation to |
| comply with the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution and article I, section 7 of |
| the Washington Constitution in obtaining access to digital security camera images, including the |
| requirement to obtain a search warrant if needed; |

- T. The taxicab must be equipped with a monitored silent alarm system approved by the Director pursuant to specifications provided by rule and adopted by the Director. ((All taxicabs with computer dispatch systems shall comply with this requirement by no later than December 31, 2005. All taxicabs with radio dispatch systems shall comply with this requirement by no later than January 1, 2008)) (summary suspension and Class B);
- U. ((After January 1, 2008, t)) The taxicab must be equipped with a monitored Global Positioning System (GPS) pursuant to specifications contained in a rule promulgated by the Director (summary suspension and Class B);
- V. ((A)) <u>The</u> taxicab must maintain a continuous connection between the taximeter and the computer dispatch system, if such system is installed (five-day suspension and Class B); and
- W. Any other requirements set forth in regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter (safety regulations -- Class B; nonsafety regulations -- Class A).
 - Section 6. Section 6.310.330 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.330 Taxicab licensee and for-hire vehicle licensee responsibilities.

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B. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> must maintain a business address and a mailing address where the ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> can accept mail, and a business telephone in working order that ((ean)) <u>must</u> be answered at least nine a.m. (9:00 a.m.) to five p.m. (5:00 p.m.)

A. The ((owner)) licensee of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle must ((ensure)) personally

verify that the taxicab or for-hire vehicle is being operated only by a driver who holds a valid for-

Monday through Friday, and during all hours of operation. The taxicab association office or

dispatch center may suffice for this requirement (Class A).

hire driver's license (suspension (five (5) days) and Class B).

- C. The taxicab ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> shall comply with all requirements for taxicabs under the taxicab association requirements listed in <u>SMC</u> Sections 6.310.200 -- 6.310.330 (same Class violation as applied to association for same violation, except that penalty for ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> will be monetary penalty only).
- D. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> must notify the Director within three (3) working days of learning of the following occurrences:
 - 1. Any conviction, bail forfeiture or other final adverse finding received by the taxicab driver or for-hire vehicle driver, for any criminal offense that occurs during, or arises out of, the driver's operation of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle (Class B);
 - 2. Any conviction, bail forfeiture or other final adverse finding received by the taxicab or for-hire vehicle driver for any criminal offense involving theft, robbery, burglary, assault, sex crimes, drugs, prostitution, or any related offense (Class B);

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- 3. Any vehicle accident required to be reported to the State of Washington involving any taxicab operated by the taxicab driver or for-hire vehicle operated by the for-hire driver (Class B); or
- 4. Any restriction, suspension or revocation of the taxicab or for-hire vehicle driver's motor vehicle driver's license (Class B).
- E. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) licensee must maintain daily trip sheet records, in accordance with SMC Section 6.310.460 F, and complaint logs, as prescribed by the Director by rule for all licensed vehicles. A taxicab ((owner)) licensee must insure that all original daily trip sheets are given to the taxicab association representative at least weekly. The for-hire vehicle ((owner)) licensee must keep daily trip sheets and complaint logs for a minimum of two (2) years. The for-hire vehicle ((owner)) licensee must provide to the Director, through their association representative, quarterly the following information compiled from the daily trip sheets:
 - 1. Number of service requests (trips) during the last quarter;
 - 2. Average operating hours per week per vehicle for the last quarter;
 - 3. Number of complaints received regarding:
 - a. Driver conduct categorized by driving behavior, communication, personal dress or hygiene,
 - b. Vehicle condition categorized by appearance, mechanical and/or safety,
 - c. Service response, and

- d. Lack of driver knowledge including incorrect route or no knowledge of destination requested;
- 4. All complaints received regarding either the for-hire driver or the taxicab or for-hire vehicle, where such complaint involves an alleged violation of this chapter, including a note of the action taken to resolve the complaint and the disposition, if known (all violations within subsection E are Class A).
- F. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle's ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> and driver shall permit the Department to inspect the vehicle without notice, upon request (suspension and Class B).
- G. The ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle must ensure that the for-hire driver complies with operating and conduct standards per SMC Sections 6.310.450 -- 6.310.475 (same class of violation as for the for-hire driver).
- H. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> shall comply with any applicable regulations promulgated under this chapter (Class B for safety requirements, otherwise Class A).
- I. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> shall ((insure)) <u>ensure</u> that all inspection times scheduled by the Director are kept (suspension, fifty dollar (\$50) monetary penalty and two (2) penalty points).
- J. The taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((owner)) <u>licensee</u> shall comply with any written notice of violation issued by the Director, including notices suspending or revoking a vehicle license, and notices requiring repair (suspension and Class B).
- K. A wheelchair accessible taxicab licensee must personally drive the vehicle a minimum of forty (40) hours per week for at least forty (40) weeks per year (revocation).

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L. A taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee shall not tamper with, disable, remove, or willfully damage the digital security camera equipment required under this chapter (Class C).

M. A taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee shall not alter, edit, destroy, remove, copy, transfer, transmit, erase, delete, overwrite, obscure, damage, encode, lock, render unreadable, or otherwise tamper with any image made by a digital security camera, other than as may occur in the normal operation of the digital security camera system as mandated and authorized by the Director (Class C).

N. After December 31, 2007, new taxicab licenses shall be issued to single individuals only, and no corporation, limited liability company, or partnership shall obtain any license held by an individual until the expiration of a period of five (5) years following the original date of issuance to the individual licensee currently holding the license; provided, however, that new taxicab licenses may be issued to and be held by the following business entities:

- 1. Corporations held by a single shareholder provided that the taxicab must be personally operated by the single shareholder for a period of five years from the date of issuance of the license and the ownership of the shares of the corporation cannot be changed within the five-year period. Any change of ownership of shares of the corporation shall result in revocation of the license.
- 2. Limited liability companies comprised of a single member provided that the taxicab must be personally operated by the single member for a period of five years from the date of issuance of the license and no change of membership may take place within the five-

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year period. Any change of membership of the limited liability company shall result in revocation of the license.

For a period of five (5) years following the date of issuance of a new taxicab license, all new taxicab licensees must personally drive the taxicab for a minimum use requirement of thirty (30) hours per week for a minimum of forty (40) weeks per year (taxicab license revocation). If a licensee fails to fulfill the minimum use requirement in any one year period within the five year period following the date of issuance, the license shall be subject to revocation. Taxicab licensees shall submit original trip sheets to the Director on a monthly basis, in a manner prescribed by Director's rule, to prove compliance with the minimum use requirement. For purposes of this paragraph, "licensee" or "licensees" refers to individual licensees, single soleshareholders of a licensed corporation, or single members of a licensed limited liability company. (Class A, if trip sheets are submitted late; taxicab license revocation, if trip sheets are falsified or not in compliance).

3. At the time of the transfer of any taxicab license occurring after August 1, 2008, the transferor(s) and transferee(s) of the license shall report to the Director the amount of consideration, if any, paid by the transferee to the transferor in exchange for the transfer of the license. The amount of consideration shall be reported in a manner determined by rule promulgated by the Director. The failure to report, or the reporting of false information, shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of the license. In creating and maintaining records of the amount of consideration paid, the Director shall not identify the transferees and transferors, nor

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shall the Director require the submission of any records that identify the transferees and transferors.

4. The Director shall conduct a survey of taxicab licensees to determine the market value of taxicab license transfers that have occurred from January 1, 1991 through August 1, 2008. All licensees shall respond in good faith to the survey to provide accurate information to the extent reasonably possible (Class A). Responses to the survey shall be made in such manner determined by rue promulgated by the Director. In creating and maintaining records of the amount of consideration paid, the Director shall not identify the transferees and transferors, nor shall the Director require the submission of any records that identify the transferees and transferors.

O. A taxicab licensee shall not change the totalizer readings on the taximeter (Class A).
Section 7. Section 6.310.340 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:
6.310.340 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle – License transfer.

A for-hire vehicle or taxicab license may be transferred ((; provided however, that)) subject to the following restrictions and/or conditions:

A. New taxicab licenses issued after December 31, 2007 are not transferable for a period of five (5) years from the original date of issuance.

- B. ((**)) Wheelchair accessible taxicab licenses issued for 2006 2008 demonstration projects are nontransferable.
- <u>C.</u> No transfer of a for-hire vehicle or taxicab license can take effect until all outstanding penalties assessed against the for-hire vehicle or taxicab licensee and/or any driver of the for-hire vehicle or taxicab are paid in full to the Director.

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<u>D.</u> The proposed transferee must submit a for-hire vehicle or taxicab license application according to the standards set forth in SMC Section 6.310.300. The standards for denial set forth in SMC Section 6.310.310 apply to proposed transfers.

<u>E.</u> Transfers shall not become effective, and the proposed transferee may not operate the taxicab or for-hire vehicle, until the proposed transferee receives the taxicab or for-hire vehicle license.

F. For taxicabs or for-hire vehicles with both Seattle and King County taxicab licenses, both licenses must be transferred together. When a King County taxicab license is transferred but not the Seattle taxicab license, the Seattle taxicab license shall be deemed abandoned and void, and shall be revoked by the City.

Section 8. Section 6.310.350 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows: 6.310.350 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle – License expiration and renewal.

A. ((All taxicab and for hire licenses for the 2004—2005 license period shall expire on August 31, 2005. For the 2005—2006 license period and subsequent license year periods, a)) All taxicab and for-hire licenses ((will)) shall be issued for a period of one year and shall expire on June 30 of the year following issuance of the license.

B. Each taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee must renew the for-hire vehicle or taxicab license every year. No taxicab or for-hire vehicle license may be renewed unless all outstanding penalties assessed against the taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensee or the for-hire driver of the taxicab or for-hire vehicle are paid in full to the Director.

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Section 9. A new Section 6.310.380 is added to the Seattle Municipal Code as follows:6.310.380 Taxicab and for-hire vehicle – Revocation upon loan default.

C. The Director shall grant all timely submitted and completed renewal applications of

qualified licensees; provided, however, that the Director shall deny any renewal application if

grounds exist, the Director shall examine all Department records on the for-hire vehicle or

grounds exist for the Director to deny a license pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.310 A. If no such

taxicab and may deny the renewal if grounds exist that would justify denial under <u>SMC</u> Section

A. Where the taxicab or for-hire vehicle licensed by the City is collateral for a loan under a perfected security agreement, upon written notice and proof of default of the loan agreement submitted by a lender to the Department, the licensee, and the taxicab association with whom the licensee is affiliated, the Director shall issue a notice of revocation pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.635. The licensee shall have the opportunity to respond to the notice of revocation by submitting a written request for a hearing to the Department within ten (10) days after the date of the notice of revocation pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.635 B. A licensee who timely files a written request for hearing shall have all rights afforded under SMC Sections 6.310.610 D3 and 6.310.635 as they pertain to the non-summary revocation of a license, including all rights of appeal. During the pendency of appeal procedures brought under this section, the licensee may complete a transfer of the license pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.340 to a person that executes a written agreement with the lender to assume responsibility for repayment of the loan and who complies with all requirements for a transfer under this Chapter.

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B. Upon the failure of a licensee to timely appeal, or a final order affirming a revocation under this Section, if no transfer has been completed, the license shall be deemed revoked and Director shall re-issue the license as necessary in accordance with SMC Sections 6.310.300 and 6.310.500 D.

C. Any holder of a taxicab license may enter into a loan agreement with a Community Development Financial Institution or other lender approved by the Director for the purpose of obtaining financing for purchase of an environmentally efficient vehicle that meets the vehicle standards pertaining to pollution and energy efficiency established by the Director by rule pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.320 P. Where the lender provides timely notice to the Department that a loan is in compliance with this subsection, no transfer of the license shall take place unless the lender submits written notice that the new licensee has assumed responsibility for repayment of the loan. The rights of the lender under the loan agreement shall not be assigned, sold or otherwise transferred to any other lender. The Director shall adopt rules setting forth the qualifications, standards and procedures for approval of a Community Development Financial Institution or other lender.

Section 10. Section 6.310.450 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.450 For-hire driver operating standards.

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I. A for-hire driver shall immediately notify the taxicab association and the Seattle Police

Department when the for-hire driver has been the victim of a crime (Class A).

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M. A for-hire driver shall not change the totalizer readings on the taximeter (Class A).

Section 11. Section 6.310.455 of the Seattle Municipal is amended as follows:

6.310.455 For-hire driver conduct standards.

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- S. A for-hire driver shall not sub-lease a taxicab to another driver ((unless that driver has a valid for-hire driver license and the for-hire driver is currently affiliated with the taxicab association)) (14-day for-hire driver license suspension and Class B);
- T. A for-hire driver must notify the Director within three (3) working days of being involved, while operating a taxicab, in any vehicle accident that is required to be reported to the State of Washington (Class B);
- U. A for-hire driver shall not tamper with, disable, remove, or willfully damage the digital security camera equipment required under this chapter to be in taxicab (Class C); ((and))
- V. A for-hire driver shall not alter, edit, destroy, remove, copy, transfer, transmit, erase, delete, overwrite, obscure, damage, encode, lock, render unreadable, or otherwise tamper with any image made by a digital security camera, other than as may occur in the normal operation of the digital security camera system as mandated and authorized by the Director (Class C); and
- W. A for-hire driver must notify the Director within three (3) working days of receiving, while operating a taxicab, a traffic infraction for a violation of SMC Section 11.50.140 based on evidence detected through the use of an automated traffic safety camera (Class B).

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Section 12. Subsection B of Section 6.310.460 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

6.310.460 For-hire driver taxicab meter/rates standards.

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B. A for-hire driver must activate the taximeter at the beginning of each paid trip, whether the fare is computed by the taximeter, contract or flat rate, and deactivate the taximeter upon completion of the trip. Beginning of a trip means the point where the passenger is seated, or materials stowed, and the forward motion of the vehicle begins. The taximeter shall not be engaged unless the taxicab is transporting passengers or materials for compensation (Class A).

The taximeter shall be engaged when transporting passengers or materials for a contract trip or an airport flat rate trip (Class A).

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Section 13. Section 6.310.465 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.465 For-hire driver -- Passenger relations standards.

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I. A for-hire driver shall provide each passenger a <u>taximeter</u> receipt upon payment of the fare (<u>Class A</u>). ((The receipt shall accurately show the date and time, place of pickup and delivery, the amount of the fare, the taxicab name, number and association, and the printed name and for hire driver's license number of the for-hire driver. If a receipt issuing taximeter is installed, a printed receipt must be provided to the passenger upon payment of the fare (<u>Class A each</u>).))

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M. A for-hire driver shall not smoke ((while)) in the taxicab or for-hire vehicle ((is

occupied without the consent of all passengers. If the taxicab is designated as a "nonsmoking"

taxicab, no-smoking signs must be posted within, and outside, the taxicab or for-hire vehicle, so

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as to be highly visible to the passenger. The Director shall promulgate rules concerning the placement of the no-smoking signs)) (Class A).

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Section 14. Section 6.310.470 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.470 For-hire driver soliciting and cruising standards.

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- B. For-hire Vehicles.
- 1. A for-hire driver in a for-hire vehicle is prohibited from soliciting passengers, from cruising for passengers, or from picking up passengers in a taxi zone (Class B).
- 2. A for-hire driver shall not use any other person to solicit passengers (Class A).
- 3. All trips must be pre-arranged as defined by the Director by rule (Class B).
- Section 15. Section 6.310.500 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:6.310.500 Taxicabs -- Maximum number.
- A. The total number of taxicab licenses in effect at any one (1) time shall not exceed ((the number in effect as of December 31, 1990)) eight-hundred and fifty (850). The number of taxicab licenses shall be set by the Director at such times and in such manner as necessary to meet the demand for efficient and economical taxicab service within the city limits and to

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however, no more than 35 licenses can be issued within a calendar year. The Director shall adopt by rule the procedure for determining when and how many new taxicab licenses will be issued.

In determining the total number of licenses issued, the Director shall consider factors such as average service response times, total number of taxi rides, total paid trips per taxicab, and average operating hours per taxicab, and may consider any other factors that may affect the supply and demand for taxi service within the city limits. The Director shall adopt by rule any vehicle and safety standards required for the issuance of new licenses, including but not limited to vehicle size, fuel efficiency, and emissions standards.

support a competitive, safe, fair and viable business environment for the taxicab industry;

- B. The number of for-hire vehicle licenses in effect at any one (1) time shall not exceed two hundred (200). Except that if the State Legislature authorizes cities to regulate executive sedans and executive vans, as defined in RCW 46.04.274, then executive sedans and executive vans licensed by the Department of Licensing (((DOL))) on the authorization date((5)) which meet City vehicle standards would ((also)) be allowed to obtain for-hire vehicle licenses, and such for-hire vehicle licenses shall not be included in the calculation of total number of for-hire vehicle licenses pursuant to this subsection.
- C. The Director may, at the Director's discretion, issue wheelchair accessible taxicab licenses to special service vehicles used to provide transportation to disabled persons defined in KCC 6.64.010 or to handicapped persons as defined in SMC Section 6.310.110. These <u>licenses</u> shall be ((are)) non-transferable for a period of five (5) years from the date of issuance ((wheelchair accessible taxicab licenses)) and shall not be included in calculating the maximum

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number of taxicab licenses allowable pursuant to ((paragraph A of this section)) subsection A. ((Consistent with this subsection, t)) The Director may issue temporary and nontransferable wheelchair accessible taxicab licenses to individual for-hire drivers selected by King County for a demonstration project to determine the economic feasibility of the long term issuance of such licenses.

- D. If the Director determines that issuance of additional taxicab licenses is warranted, not to exceed the maximum allowable taxicab licenses issued pursuant to ((paragraph)) subsection A of this section, such licenses ((will)) shall be issued pursuant to ((a)):
 - 1. A competitive request for proposal and award process <u>under which licenses will be</u>

 issued to applicants whose proposals demonstrate that they are most able to meet the

 needs of the public in providing taxicab service by meeting qualifications prepared by the

 Director that are not in conflict with the general provisions of this chapter; or
 - 2. Pursuant to a lottery of qualified applicants($(\frac{1}{2})$); or
 - 3. Pursuant to a combination of both procedures as prescribed ((in)) by rule adopted by the Director. The rule shall include minimum qualifications for taxicab license applicants, including but not limited to the driving and conduct records of prospective applicants.
- E. At the earlier of September 1, 2010 or after a total of 50 licenses have been issued under this section, the Director shall provide a written report to the City Council concerning the economic impact that the 50 additional licenses have had on taxicab service and on the business of providing taxicab transportation services in Seattle. The report shall provide updated data to

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the extent reasonably available relating to the factors that serve as the basis for the issuance of licenses as set forth in Subsection A. This report shall also describe the economic effects, if any, of the provisions of SMC 6.310.330N on the market value of all taxicab license transfers occurring after August 1, 2008. No additional licenses may be issued until the submission of the report.

Section 16. Subsection C3 of Section 6.310.610 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

6.310.610 Suspension or revocation.

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C. Revocation Standards.

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- 3. Taxicab and For-hire Vehicle Licenses.
 - a. The Director shall revoke a taxicab or for-hire vehicle owner license if:
 - i. The licensee, or any officer, director, general partner, managing partner or principal of the licensee, has had a conviction, bail forfeiture or final adverse finding of criminal fraud, larceny, theft, prostitution, extortion, racketeering, robbery or violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, where the crime is associated with operating a taxicab or for-hire vehicle:

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- iii. The licensee's State of Washington for-hire certificate has been revoked; $((\Theta r))$
- iv. The licensee is not affiliated with a taxicab association licensed under this chapter; or
- v. The licensee is subject to revocation because of a loan default pursuant to SMC Section 6.310.380.

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Approved by me this _____ day of ______, 2008. Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor Filed by me this _____ day of _______, 2008. City Clerk Form revised December 4, 2006 FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS **Contact Person/Phone: DOF Analyst/Phone:** 35

President ______of the City Council

Section 17. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and

Passed by the City Council the _____ day of ______, 2008, and signed by me in open

after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10)

days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

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Legislation Title:

AN ORDINANCE relating to taxicabs; increasing the taxicab regulatory license fees, inspection fees, and miscellaneous fees; restricting the transferability of new taxicab licenses; raising the maximum number of taxicab licenses issued by the City; imposing requirements concerning the issuance and maintenance of new taxicab licenses; restricting the conditions for lease of taxicabs; raising the minimum underinsured motorist coverages; providing for the regulation of taxicab licenses on vehicles subject to loans; revising obsolete provisions and terminology; adding new sections to the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 6.310.110, 6.310.150, 6.310.300, 6.310.320, 6.310.330, 6.310.340, 6.310.350, 6.310.450, 6.310.455, 6.310.460, 6.310.470, 6.310.500, and 6.310.610 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

• Summary of the Legislation:

The proposed Council Bill would amend numerous provisions of SMC Chapter 6.310, which regulates the taxicab industry.

The key changes to the existing Taxicab Code from as a result of this legislation include:

Issuance of Additional Taxicab Licenses: The legislation proposes increasing the maximum number of taxicab licenses that the Director of Executive Administration is authorized to issue from 667 to 1,000. For the new licenses (above the current 667), licensees must agree to personally drive the vehicle full-time for five years, and will not be allowed to transfer the license during that period. Licensees for the new taxicab licenses will be required to drive vehicles that meet new "green vehicle" standards established by administrative rule. The new ordinance delineates the factors the Director of Executive Administration shall use to determine the appropriate number of licenses to issue under the cap, to ensure that consumers have sufficient access, and that drivers are able to earn a reasonable wage.

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Driver Leases: The proposed legislation regulates the conditions under which taxicab licensees may lease vehicles to other drivers. The new requirements address driver exploitation by allowing the City to establish maximum lease amounts based upon vehicle operating costs, and prevent lessors from passing other costs onto drivers leasing vehicles. The new provisions also prevent subleasing of taxicab vehicles.

Camera-Detected Traffic Infractions: The new provision requires for-hire drivers to notify the City of traffic infractions detected through the use of automated traffic safety cameras when such violations occur while operating the taxicab.

Taxicab License and Regulatory Fees: The legislation proposes increases in the numerous license and other fees in SMC Section 6.310.150.

Vehicle Requirements and Technical Revisions: The legislation supports the City's efforts to move toward a more environmentally friendly, alternative fuel, taxi fleet by authorizing the DEA Director to establish vehicle requirements by administrative rule. Additionally, the legislation provides a number of technical revisions and updates definitions used in the Taxicab Regulatory Code, and increases underinsured motorist insurance coverage limits.

Regulation of taxicab licenses upon default of taxicab loans and incentives for financing environmentally efficient vehicles: Under existing law, if the holder of a Seattle taxicab license defaults on a loan secured by the licensed vehicle, he or she may obtain another vehicle to which the license would apply and continue as the holder of a taxicab license, while the original lender has little or no recourse. This legislation requires the revocation of a taxicab license if a licensee defaults on a secured loan for which the licensed taxi vehicle was used as collateral, unless the lender formally approves the transfer. This provides lenders more incentive to loan funds to individual drivers who might not be seen as a good loan risk.

Background:

This legislation seeks to improve consumer protection by increasing the maximum number of taxicab licenses that the City may issue under SMC Section 6.310.500. The City has issued almost all of the licenses allowed under the current cap.

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Additionally, the proposed legislation puts new restrictions on new licenses issued above the current cap. Five-year restrictions on transferability and driving requirements will ensure that individual contractors, rather than business interests, will have equitable access to the licenses.

Increasing the cap will allow the City to issue additional licenses when its market analysis establishes unmet service needs.

Through this legislation, the City also seeks to regulate taxicab leasing practices to prevent the exploitation of drivers.

Currently, there is no protection against exploitative lease rates or terms when taxicab licensees lease taxicab vehicles to other drivers. The City has received numerous complaints from lease drivers about being forced to pay the owner's vehicle acquisition and operating costs. Driver income is limited by the taximeter rate. Rising taxicab license market values put pressure on taxicab licensees to raise lease rates. Other cities—e.g., New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, and San Francisco—set maximum lease rates for the taxicab industry. The legislation establishes specific prohibitions against shifting owner and operation costs to leasing drivers.

Taxicab license and regulatory fees were last raised in 2005. The proposed fee levels will more adequately cover the current and anticipated costs to the City of regulating the Seattle taxicab industry.

A minor revision is proposed to SMC Section 6.310.320 P, which will facilitate the Director of Executive Administration's authority to set by rule not only taxicab vehicle size but also other specifications. This change will allow the City to establish vehicle standards that will allow the Seattle taxicab fleet to move toward hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles, to reduce greenhouse emissions.

Finally, the regulation of taxicab licenses for vehicles that are subject to loans will prevent the continued licensing of taxicabs the ownership of which is in question because of loan defaults. Such regulation will further encourage lenders such as Community Development Financial Institutions (U.S. Department of Treasury approved institutions that provide financial assistance to underserved populations) to extend loans for the purchase of environmentally efficient vehicles by licensees.

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| 16 ^G | neral Fund 00100 | DEA | Change of vehicle licensee (full year) | \$0 | \$ 9,0 | 00 |
| 17 | | | 30 units at \$600 yields \$45,000 in 2008 revenue. | | | |
| 18 ^G | neral Fund 00100 | DEA | Change of vehicle licensee (half-year) | \$0 | \$ 6,7 | 50 |
| 19 | | | 45 units at \$300 yields \$13,500 in 2008 revenue. | | | |
| 20G | neral Fund 00100 | DEA | Special inspection fee | \$0 | \$ 2,0 | 00 |
| 21 | | | 100 units at \$100/hour yields \$5,000 in 2008 revenue. | | | |
| 22G | neral Fund 00100 | DEA | Taxicab change of association fee | \$0 | \$ 1,0 | 00 |
| 23 | | | 25 units at \$100 yields \$2,500 in 2008 revenue. | | | |
| 24G | eneral Fund 00100 | DEA | Inspection re-inspection fee (Class A) | \$0 | \$ 6 | 25 |
| 25 | | | 25 units at \$50 yields \$1,250 in 2008 revenue. | | | |

| 1G | eneral Fund 00100 | Fund 00100 DEA Suspension reinstatement fee (Class B) | | \$0 | \$ 2,000 |
|----|------------------------|---|---|-----|------------|
| 2 | | | 50 units at \$100 yields \$5,000 in 2008 revenue. | | |
| 3G | eneral Fund 00100 | DEA | Change of business status fee | \$0 | \$ 2,500 |
| 4 | | | 25 units at \$100 yields \$2,500 in 2008 revenue. | | |
| 5G | General Fund 00100 DEA | | eral Fund 00100 DEA Security camera system inspection fee | | \$ 2,000 |
| 6 | | | 20 units at \$100 yields \$2,000 in 2008 revenue. | | |
| 7G | eneral Fund 00100 | DEA | Taximeter test fee | \$0 | \$ 2,000 |
| 8 | | | 100 units at \$50 yields \$5,000 in 2008 revenue. | | |
| 9 | TOTAL | | | \$0 | \$ 227,675 |

Notes: (1) The subscript under "Revenue Source" indicates the total expected revenue from each type of fee in 2008. The transaction units are estimated from five-year trends. (2) The legislation proposes increases in the taxicab association and taxicab license late renewal fees, but the charging of these fees is rare and the proposed increase will not result in a significant revenue change.

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Total Regular Positions Created Or Abrogated Through This Legislation, Including FTE Impact: This table should only reflect the actual number of positions created by this legislation. In the event that positions have been, or will be, created as a result of previous or future legislation or budget actions, please provide details in the Notes section below the table.

| Position Title and | Fund | Fund | Part- | 2007 | 2007 | 2008 | 2008 |
|--------------------|------|--------|-----------|-----------|------|-------------|-------|
| Department* | Name | Number | Time/ | Positions | FTE | Positions** | FTE** |
| | | | Full Time | | | | |
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| TOTAL | | | | | | | |

* List each position separately

** 2008 positions and FTE are <u>total</u> 2008 position changes resulting from this legislation, not incremental changes. Therefore, under 2008, please be sure to include any continuing positions from 2007.

Notes: There are no position changes associated with this legislation.

Do positions sunset in the future? Not applicable.

Spending/Cash Flow: This table should be completed only in those cases where part or all of the funds authorized by this legislation will be spent in a different year than when they were appropriated (e.g., as in the case of certain grants and capital projects). Details surrounding spending that will occur in future years should be provided in the Notes section below the table.

| Fund Name and | Department | Budget Control Level* | 2007 | 2008 Anticipated | |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|--|
| Number | | | Expenditures | Expenditures | |
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| 1 | TOTAL | |
| 2 | * See budget book to obtain the appropriate Budget Control Level for your department. | |
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| 4 | Notes: There are no appropriations associated with this legislation. | |
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| 7 | • What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation? The City would forego the estimated revenues increases. | |
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| 9 | • What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives? None. | |
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| 12 | Is the legislation subject to public hearing requirements: No special public hearing requirements. | |
| 13 | • Other Issues: None. | |
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| 16 | Please list attachments to the fiscal note below: | |
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