



# AUSTIN MOBILITY

## Enforcement of Unpermitted Vehicles

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Urban Transportation Commission



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# UNPERMITTED VEHICLES

## Background

- Has been identified as a concern from Limo, Taxi, and Charter vehicle stakeholders
- ATD has extended hours of enforcement to address
- Increasing number of occurrences
- Implemented in San Antonio, TX

The recommended ordinance amendment would authorize the City of Austin to initiate the impoundment of an unpermitted vehicle-for-hire where sufficient probable cause exists.

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*Unpermitted operators skirt vehicle inspections, driving & background checks, and insurance requirements established as measures to ensure consumer protection.*



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## Impacts of the Ordinance

- ATD will continue normal enforcement practices, in addition to periodic “sting” operations
- When sufficient probable cause exists, a citation will be issued, and a peace officer will initiate impoundment of the automobile
- Texas state law has prescribed a formal process for owners to recover vehicles
- Operators currently authorized to provide for-hire services in Austin who are determined to be operating with an expired permit will not be subject to this application





# MOVING FORWARD

Staff will make a recommendation to the Austin City Council for approval of this ordinance on the February 28<sup>th</sup> Council agenda and requests concurrence of the Urban Transportation Commission.

