

Proposed Recommendations – Ground Transportation Regulatory Reform

I. ITEMS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY:

- 13-2-57 – Use of Air Conditioner – Remove
- 13-2-59 – City Map Required – Modify to include electronic maps
- 13-2-60 – Abandoned Property – Remove
- 13-2-132 – Driver Conduct – Modify behavioral/appearance requirements
 - 13-2-132(B)(3) – Remove provisions related to monitoring frequency prohibition
 - 13-2-132(B)(4) – Remove prohibition on possessing communication equipment
- 13-2-141 – Inspection Required
 - No mandatory 3rd party inspection
 - Holder responsible for ensuring vehicles meet inspection requirements
 - If deficient during field inspections, remove vehicle from service
 - Require re-inspection prior to going back into service
- 13-2-142 – Inspection Standards – Remove all points not related to public safety
- 13-2-143 – Removal from Service – Require Department re-inspection
- 13-2-175 – Operating Authority Fees – Discontinue practice of prorating permits

II. LIMOUSINE:

- 13-2-1 Definitions – Redefine “Prearranged Service” to remove the minimum of one half hour advance reservation
- 13-2-202(B) – Remove requirement to use a flagship/stretch vehicle
 - Current holders will be grandfathered. All others will need to have a combination of 4 sedans or SUVs not older than 5 years with valid state inspection in place of the flagship/stretch vehicle.

- Add requirement for Limousine operating authority to provide an estimated fare prior to beginning a trip
- 13-2-203 – Limousine Rates of Fare – Remove minimum fare requirement

III. CHARTER VAN SERVICE:

- 13-2-291(B)(4) – Remove prohibition of accepting passengers less than one half hour in advance of commencement of scheduled services
- Add requirement for Charter operating authority to provide an estimated fare prior to beginning a trip

IV. PEDICAB SERVICE:

- 13-2-316(C)(4) – Additional Requirements for Pedicab Service – Consider broadening operating boundaries
- 13-2-316(G)(3) - Remove all inspection points not related to public safety
- Consider allowing electric assist
 - The pedicab focus group made recommendations. The department has received comments from 16 individuals; 12 are against it, 5 are for it, and 1 person was neutral.
- Ordinance 20141211-089 – Consider removing current cap of 300 Pedicab permits
 - Replacing the cap at the current allocation (503) and not allowing any additional permits. If pedicab permits reach 500, that benchmark will be established as the new threshold limit. The decrease in 3 pedicab permits will be determined by violations of the code committed by pedicab companies which could include: 1) failure to obtain quarterly permits 5 days prior, 2) failure to renew operating authority 60 days prior, 3) failure to provide current insurance prior to expiration, and 4) failure to pass yearly inspection prior to the December 31st deadline. There may be other violations not listed here, but are listed in City Code 13-2.

V. FEES

- ~~Industry fees:~~

- ~~○ Motorized – Recommend 2% of local gross receipts~~
- ~~○ Non-motorized – Per permit fee~~
 - If additional ground transportation staff is needed, staff will revisit the topic of increased fees for motorized and non-motorized vehicles.
- Re-inspection fee for all vehicles taken out of service by the Department for identified deficiencies.

VI. ELECTRIC LOW SPEED VEHICLE (ELSV) SERVICE:

- Remove requirement for doors
 - Staff and industry electric low speed owners have requested to keep the door requirement
- 13-2-334(B)(1) – Remove route requirement
- Remove limit of 3 operating authorities
 - The Department agrees with the removal of the three operating authority limit. However, the industry is unanimous in maintaining the 3 operating authority limit.
- ~~• 13-2-333(B) – Requires rate card to be conspicuously on the vehicle~~
- 13-2-335(E) – Remove the requirement to have vehicles painted in the same color scheme and the with same markings as other vehicles in the holder's fleet
 - Staff doesn't agree with these recommendations because a uniform fleet allows for easy identity for ground transportation officers who are performing enforcement operations.

VII. HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES:

- Require escort vehicle when traveling on streets with a speed limit of 35 mph or greater
 - 13-3-12 defines the requirements of an escort vehicle.