

ORDINANCE NO. 127

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, PROVIDING FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE VEHICLE FOR HIRE ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF BUSES.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF THE VEHICLE FOR HIRE ORDINANCE BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

6.04.010 DEFINITIONS

6.04.010(a) CHAUFFEUR'S PERMIT: WHENEVER USED HEREIN SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN A LICENSE GRANTED BY THE CITY TO OPERATE ANY TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS UPON THE STREETS OF BETHEL AS THE DRIVER OR CHAUFFEUR THEREOF.

6.04.010(g) BUS: BUS MEANS A MOTOR VEHICLE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING PASSENGERS FOR HIRE UPON THE STREETS OF BETHEL HAVING A CAPACITY OF MORE THAN NINE (9) PASSENGERS.

6.04.010(h) BUS PERMIT: WHENEVER USED HEREIN SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN THE PERMIT OR LICENSE GRANTED BY THE CITY OF BETHEL TO ANY PERSON OR BUSINESS ORGANIZATION TO OPERATE FOR HIRE A BUS WITHIN THE CITY OF BETHEL OR UPON THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF BETHEL.

6.04.090 TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE AND BUS PERMITS

NO PERSON SHALL OPERATE TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES OR BUSES IN COMMERCIAL USE UNDER A BUSINESS NAME OR STYLE OR INDIVIDUALLY WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A PERMIT FOR EACH TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS FROM THE CITY CLERK. TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES OR BUSES OPERATED PRIMARILY TO AND FROM OTHER COMMUNITIES ON A SEASONAL BASIS OVER WINTER ROADS AND WHICH DO NOT PROVIDE PASSENGER SERVICE WITHIN THE CITY ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF OBTAINING A TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS PERMIT; HOWEVER, SUCH TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES AND BUSES SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER SECTIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE AND MUST FULLY COMPLY WITH ALL OTHER SECTIONS OF THIS CHAPTER. ALL PERMITS OR CERTIFICATES OF EXEMPTION SHALL BE ISSUED UPON CERTIFICATION BY THE CHIEF OF POLICE WHO SHALL DETERMINE THAT ALL OF THIS CHAPTER PERTAINING TO VEHICLES FOR HIRE HAS BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

6.04.100 REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF PERMIT(S)

THE CHIEF OF POLICE SHALL HAVE POWER, AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED, TO REVOKE OR SUSPEND ANY OR ALL TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS PERMITS HELD BY A PERMITTEE...

6.04.110 INSURANCE REQUIRED

BEFORE ANY TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS PERMIT IS ISSUED FOR ANY VEHICLE FOR HIRE, THE APPLICANT SHALL FURNISH ONE OR MORE POLICIES OR CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE ASSURED BY AN INSURANCE COMPANY AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF ALASKA PROVIDING INDEMNITY FOR THE INSURED IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$100,000 (SINGLE ACCIDENT) AND \$300,000 (TOTAL COVERAGE) PER TAXICAB AND AGREEING TO PAY, WITHIN

THE LIMITS OF SAID AMOUNT TO ANY JUDGMENT CREDITOR RECOVERING FINAL JUDGMENT (OTHER THAN THE EMPLOYEES OF THE INSURED) FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, INCLUDING DEATH, AND DAMAGES TO PROPERTY SUFFERED DURING THE APPLICABLE YEAR IN WHICH SAID INSURANCE IS IN EFFECT, RESULTING FROM THE NEGLIGENT OPERATION, MAINTENANCE OR USE OF SAID VEHICLE.

SAID POLICY OR POLICIES OF LIABILITY INSURANCE SHALL BE APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE AND FORM BY THE CITY ATTORNEY AND FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK.

6.04.130 NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION OF INSURANCE

EVERY SUCH INSURANCE POLICY OR CERTIFICATE SHALL CONTAIN A CLAUSE OBLIGATING THE INSURER OR SURETY TO GIVE THE CITY CLERK, BY REGISTERED MAIL, AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE BEFORE THE CANCELLATION, EXPIRATION, LAPSE OR OTHER TERMINATION OR SUCH INSURANCE FOR EACH AND/OR EVERY VEHICLE ISSUED A TAXI, LIMOUSINE OR BUS PERMIT.

6.04.140 REGULATION AND DISPLAY OF FARES

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY REGULATE, BY ORDINANCE, THE FARES FOR TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES AND BUSES PURSUANT TO THIS ORDINANCE. BEFORE ANY OF SAID REGULATIONS SHALL BE EFFECTIVE, THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING. NOTICE OF THIS HEARING SHALL BE GIVEN TO ALL OWNERS OF VEHICLES AFFECTED BY THE REGULATIONS. FARES SHALL BE AT ALL TIMES POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE IN THE INTERIOR OF THE VEHICLE AND SAID FARES SHALL BE NONDISCRIMINATORY. RECEIPT FOR A FARE MUST BE GIVEN UPON REQUEST BY THE PASSENGER.

6.04.180 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED

(f) THERE SHALL BE TWO BUS PERMITS.

6.04.200 TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE AND BUS REGULATIONS GENERALLY

(c) ALL BUSES MUST CONFORM TO THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) THE BUS PERMITTEE SHALL PLACE ON THE VEHICLE AT LEAST A FOUR (4) INCH LETTERING DISPLAYING THE BUS NAME;

- 2) THE BUS SHALL ACCEPT PASSENGERS ON A POSTED ROUTE ONLY AND WILL RECEIVE AND DISCHARGE PASSENGERS AT OFFICIAL STOPS DESIGNATED BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE;
- 3) BUSES WILL OPERATE AND ADHERE TO A POSTED SCHEDULE APPROVED BY A RESOLUTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE;
- 4) EACH BUS SHALL DISPLAY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE BY PLACING IN PUBLIC VIEW THE CHAUFFEUR'S PERMIT OF THE DRIVER.

6.04.210 REMOVAL AND CHANGE OF TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS MARKINGS

IN THE EVENT ANY TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS, FOR ANY REASON, IS DISQUALIFIED OR NO LONGER USED FOR A TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS, ALL SIGNS AND MARKINGS AND ANY OTHER DEVICE OR INSIGNIA INDICATING THAT SUCH VEHICLE IS A TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS SHALL BE REMOVED PRIOR TO THE UTILIZATION OF SUCH VEHICLE FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE

NO PRIVATE VEHICLE SHALL BEAR ANY INSIGNIA, MARKING OR LIGHTS WHICH TEND TO INDICATE SUCH VEHICLE IS OR HAS BEEN A TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE OR BUS AS HEREIN DEFINED.

ANY PERMITTEE USING A COLOR SCHEME IN COMMON WITH OTHER PERMITTEES SHALL, UPON VOLUNTARY OR INVOLUNTARY DISSOCIATION WITH SAID PERMITTEE(S), FILE WITH THE CITY CLERK A SEPARATE SCHEME FOR THE VEHICLE OR VEHICLES COVERED BY PERMIT IF APPLICABLE. (ORD. NO. 71)

6,04.230 TERMS AND COST OF PERMIT(S)

ALL PERMITS ISSUED UNDER THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING ONE (1) YEAR AND MUST BE RENEWED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER.

THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR PERMITS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

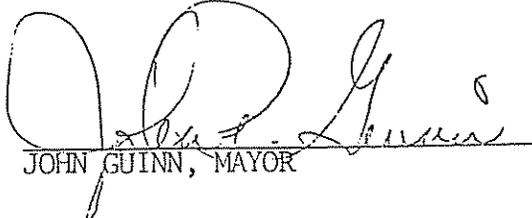
TAXICAB VAN PERMITS PER YEAR.....	\$1,200.00
TAXICAB SEDAN PERMITS PER YEAR.....	\$1,200.00
LIMOUSINE PERMITS PER YEAR.....	\$1,200.00
BUS PERMITS PER YEAR.....	\$1,200.00

CHAUFFEUR'S PERMIT PER YEAR, OR ANY PART THEREOF, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE TO RECEIVING PERMIT, \$50.00, WITH A RENEWABLE RATE OF \$25.00 PER YEAR.

PERMITS NOT RENEWED TIMELY ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL PAID AND TAXICABS SUSPENDED UNDER THIS SECTION WILL COMPLY WITH 6.04.210 AND REMOVE ALL SIGNS, MARKINGS AND ANY OTHER DEVICE OR INSIGNIA INDICATING THAT SUCH VEHICLE IS A TAXICAB. TAXICAB, LIMOUSINE AND BUS FARES SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM CITY SALES TAX.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF April, 1981.

PASSED AND APPROVED:


JOHN GUINN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


ELSIE JENNINGS, CITY CLERK