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## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

### **Ordinance #07-16**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 5.30.140 & 5.40.120 REGARDING RECORDS KEPT BY CHAUFFEURS AND DISPATCH SERVICES**

**WHEREAS;** the need for trip sheets is no longer an importance to the investigations done by the Bethel Police Department;

**WHEREAS;** cab drivers, if called upon by the Bethel Police Department to recall information about customers, are likely to remember if the request is submitted in a reasonable amount of time;

**WHEREAS;** the time it takes to fill out the detailed information on the trip sheet is unwarranted;

**WHEREAS;** the quality of service the cab industry can provide is negatively effected by trip sheets

**WHEREAS;** individual calling on a cab to provide quick and adequate transportation is sacrificed;

**Be it Enacted by the Bethel City Council** that the amendments to chapters 5.30.140 and 5.40.120 records:

**SECTION 1. Classification.** This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

**SECTION 2. Amendment.** Chapters 5.30.140 and 5.40.120 of the Bethel Municipal Code is amended as follows: (new language is underlined and old language is stricken out):

#### **5.30.140 Records.**

A. Every taxicab permitte shall maintain a current and accurate daily list of the taxicab operated pursuant to the permit. The daily list shall contain the following information:

1. The name, address, telephone number, chauffeur's license number and expiration of each chauffeur operating such taxicab;
2. The daily hours worked by each chauffeur operating such taxicab;
3. The number of days each such taxicab is operated during each calendar month;

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4. ~~A written record of all dispatch calls in a format to be approved by the transportation inspector shall be available for inspection.~~
5. The records maintained pursuant to subsection A of this section as well as many other records related to the operation of the permit shall be retained by the permittee for at least six (6) months and shall be made available upon request of the transportation commission or the transportation inspector. The transportation inspector may request that the permittee forward the record to him or her on a monthly basis.

**~~5.40.120 Records.~~**

~~A. At all times a chauffeur shall carry in the taxicab a trip sheet in a form approved by the transportation inspector. Immediately after a chauffeur goes on duty, he or she shall enter the following information at the top of a trip sheet:~~

- ~~1. The chauffeur's name and license number, taxicab number, and date of report; and~~
- ~~2. the times between which the chauffeur is scheduled to operate the taxicab on the day the trip sheet is prepared.~~
  - ~~B. Immediately after the passenger requesting service is in the taxicab, the chauffeur shall enter on a trip sheet the time and place of passenger pickup and the number of passengers transported.~~
  - ~~C. Immediately after a taxicab chauffeur has discharged a passenger from the taxicab, he or she shall enter on a trip sheet the time of passenger delivery, the destination and the amount of the fare received or that no fare was received.~~
  - ~~D. A taxicab chauffeur shall retain all trip sheets prepared pursuant to this section for not less than ninety (90) days. A chauffeur shall produce any or all of his or her trip sheets upon request of the transportation inspector or a police officer. The chauffeur shall forward the trip sheets to the transportation inspector on a monthly basis if ordered to do so.~~
  - ~~E. A taxicab chauffeur who lawfully operates a dispatch service out of a taxicab in accordance with Chapter 5.50-BMC is not required to comply with this section.~~

**SECTION 3. Effective date.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage by the City Council.

**ENACTED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY 2007 BY A VOTE OF 4 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**



Daniel C. Leinberger, Mayor

ATTEST



Sandra Modigh, City Clerk