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Commission  
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# CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

## Ordinance #08-04

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 5.40.020 OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAUFFEUR APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

**WHEREAS**, the BMC. Currently states all renewal applications must take a written and driving test every other year;

**WHEREAS**, a majority of the current Bethel chauffeurs maintain clean driving records, deeming the written and driving test unnecessary;

**WHEREAS**, when a chauffeur has received multiple citations the testing would then be warranted;

**WHEREAS**, making the written and driving test mandatory if a chauffeur's driving record exceeds six (6) points from the date of issue to the date of expiration, would only penalize the individuals who disobey the law;

**THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

**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.** Section 5.40.020 of the Bethel Municipal Code is to be amended as follows (new language is underlined and old language is stricken out):

#### **Chapter 5.40.020**

#### **Chauffeur application for license**

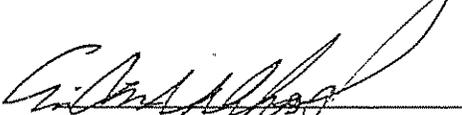
D. A chauffeur operating a taxicab or river taxi (as opposed to a limousine or bus) who is renewing a license under Section 5.20.130 (B) is required to take and pass the written and driving test described in subsection C every other year. Each licensed chauffeur shall provide the transportation inspector with a current driving record every six (6) months from the date of issue or renewal. Any licensed chauffeur accumulating six (6) or more points against their driver's license shall be required to successfully pass

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both the written and driving examination administered by the transportation inspector as outlined in subsection (C).

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

**ENACTED THIS 22 DAY OF APRIL, 2008 BY A VOTE OF 6 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**

  
Eric Middlebrook, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
Lori Strickler, City Clerk