

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
AGENDA DATE: MAY 9, 2006
CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: R. ALAN SHUBERT, (915) 541-4557
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? **OR AUTHORIZE** the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

An Ordinance amending Title 6 (Vehicles for Hire), Chapter 6.16 (Taxicabs) of the El Paso City Code to amend the provisions relating to rate schedules.
[Development Services, R. Alan Shubert, (915) 541-4557]

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____
(Example: if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____

DATE: _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6
(VEHICLES FOR HIRE), CHAPTER 6.16 (TAXICABS) OF THE
EL PASO CITY CODE TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS
RELATING TO RATE SCHEDULES

WHEREAS, El Paso City Council finds that due to fuel costs and other economic factors current rate schedules for taxicab operators are inadequate to fairly compensate taxicab operators who service the needs of the citizens and visitors to the City of El Paso.

WHEREAS, El Paso City Council further finds that an ordinance amendment is in the best interest of the City of El Paso and its citizens and is designed to promote the public safety and welfare of it's citizens.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That Section 6.16.200. (Flat rates from El Paso International Airport) be amended to read as follows:

6.16.200 Flat rates from El Paso International Airport.

A. The following zones and flat rates are established from the El Paso International Airport to the zones and cities and towns located within such zones. The flat rates set forth in this section are mandatory, except as otherwise authorized by Section 6.16.230 of this chapter. Rates shall apply for any number of passengers from one to the maximum authorized by Section 6.16.400 of this chapter. Whenever the flat rate charge set forth in this section is in effect, the taximeter shall be in the earning position until the taxicab reaches the city limits, at which time the meter shall be turned off.

1. International zones--Flat rates. The flat rates from El Paso International Airport to the international zones are as follows:

- a. To Ciudad Juarez (excluding Colonias, Juarez Bus Terminal and Juarez Airport), forty-two dollars per carload;
- b. To Juarez Bus Terminal, forty-eight dollars per carload;
- c. To Juarez Airport, sixty dollars per carload.

The rates to be charged for a taxicab service shall be as follows, and no greater nor lesser rate shall be charged:

- A. One dollar and sixty-six cents for the first one-fifth mile or fraction thereof;
- B. Forty-two cents for each additional one-fifth mile or fraction thereof;
- C. A flat charge of sixty cents for each additional passenger over one occupying the taxicab on the same trip or part thereof;

D. Forty-two cents per minute for waiting time, and when the taxicab is engaged by the hour.

Section 2. That Section 6.16.230. (SchedulesCAAdultsCSchool children) be amended to read as follows:

6.16.230 Rate Schedules.

The rates to be charged for a taxicab service shall be as follows, and no greater nor lesser rate shall be charged:

- A. One dollar and sixty-six cents for the first one-fifth mile or fraction thereof;
- B. Forty-two cents for each additional one-fifth mile or fraction thereof;
- C. A flat charge of sixty cents for each additional passenger over one occupying the taxicab on the same trip or part thereof;
- D. Forty-two cents per minute for waiting time, and when the taxicab is engaged by the hour.

Section 3. Except as herein amended, Chapter 6.16 (Taxicabs) of the El Paso City Code, shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2006.

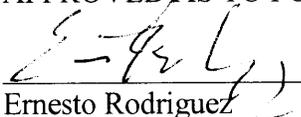
THE CITY OF EL PASO

John Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Ernesto Rodriguez
Assistant City Attorney