

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

DEPARTMENT: Development Services Department

AGENDA DATE: September 5, 2006

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: R. Alan Shubert, Development Services, (915) 541-4557

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a resolution to set a new fee for a permit to operate at a City Taxicab Zone and to establish the parameters for a partial refund for previously issued permits.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

As requested by the Council, this is a resolution that will set a new fee for a permit to operate in a City Taxicab Zone. The fee set by this resolution will replace the current \$250 fee set by Ordinance no. 16411, effective September 1, 2006. The proposed new fee is proposed at \$165, which is the same fee charged for the Airport taxicab permit. If adopted by Council, the new fee will go into effect September 1, 2006, and the resolution allows taxi drivers who obtained a permit on or before September 5, 2006 to obtain a refund for the difference between the fees, less the higher rate imposed and required during the period from September 1 through September 5, 2006. The amount of such a refund would be approximately \$83.85.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

The fee was set by Council in Ordinance No. 16411, adopted on July 25, 2006.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

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

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

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APPROVED FOR AGENDA: _____

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 16143 states that City assessed fees will be set by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council in its Budget Resolution provided that City fees may be revised and changed by a simple resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 6.16.090 D, as amended by City Ordinance no. 16411, effective September 1, 2006, states that the fee for operating at a City Taxicab Zone set forth therein can be amended by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is appropriate to revise the fee charged by the City for the permit for operating a taxi at a City Taxicab Zone, to set such fee in the same amount as the Airport annual taxicab permit fee.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS:

1. That as of September 6, 2006 the annual permit fee for operating at a City Taxicab Zone shall be \$165.00.
2. That any person having paid for and holding such permit on or before September 5, 2006 shall be entitled to the benefits resulting from the reduction of the fee as established in this resolution. Each such person shall receive a refund from the City in such amount that constitutes the difference between the two fees, less the higher rate imposed and required during the period from September 1 through September 5, 2006.

ADOPTED this 5th day of September 2006.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

ATTEST:

John Cook, Mayor

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Elaine S. Hengen,
Senior Assistant City Attorney