



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 22, 2002

Council Session

Item F4

#8715 - Consideration of Proposed Amendment to Chapter 34 of the Grand Island City Code Relative to Taxicab Permit Application

It has been a number of years since the City of Grand Island last issued a new Taxicab Company Permit; however, there are currently two companies considering initiating taxi and bus service in the City. State statutes require that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be obtained from the Nebraska Public Service Commission (PSC) prior to initiating taxi or bus service. Regulations of the Commission provide that a current certificate of insurance, rate schedule and certain other information must be maintained on file with the PSC. Finally, the PSC inspects meters and vehicles on a periodic, generally annual, basis.

The ordinance before the Council proposes to amend Section 34-17 of the Grand Island City Code to require that the application filed with the City Clerk for a taxi cab permit include copies of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and the applicant's certificate of insurance. Requiring these items as part of the application process ensures that no one can initiate service prior to meeting statutory requirements and having their vehicles and meters inspected. We recommend that the amendment to Section 34-76 of the City Code be approved as drafted.

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ORDINANCE NO. 8715

An ordinance to amend Chapter 34 of the Grand Island City Code; to amend Section 34-76 pertaining to taxicab company permit; to repeal Section 34-76 as now existing, and any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to provide for publication and the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Section 34-76 of the Grand Island City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

§34-76. Taxicab Company Permit; Application

All applications for permit required by §34-1 shall be made to the city clerk on a form to be provided by the city clerk. Such application form shall require the applicant to set forth his or her name, residence, occupation, copy of certificate of public convenience and necessity, certificate of insurance, and such other facts as are necessary to show whether or not such applicant is a person of good moral character and otherwise qualified to operate vehicles carrying passengers for hire.

SECTION 2. Section 34-76 as now existing, and any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and hereby are, repealed.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and publication, within fifteen days in one issue of the Grand Island Independent as provided by law.

Enacted: January 22, 2002.

Ken Gnad, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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| Approved as to Form | ☐ _____ |
| January 17, 2002 | ☐ City Attorney |