

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 126-5, Insurance, of Article I, In General, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, and Section 126-41, Operator's Permit, Vehicle License and Chauffeur's License Required, of Article II, Taxicab Operations and Rules, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, and Section 126-107, Issuance; Term, of Article IV, Chauffeur's License, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee language changes.

WHEREAS, by Ordinance Number 2008-030, passed on February 14, 2008, the City amended Chapter 30, Businesses, to increase fees; and,

WHEREAS, many Sections of the Code make reference to Chapter 30 and its requirements; and,

WHEREAS, in order to bring consistency to the Code, the Council of the City of Joplin is desirous of amending those Sections of the affected Code Sections in relation to license fees and license processes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 126-5, Insurance, of Article I, In General, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, be amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 126 VEHICLES FOR HIRE

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 126-5. Insurance.

- (a) No permit to operate a vehicle for hire or taxicab business shall be issued until and after the applicant therefore shall have filed with and had approved by the director of finance a liability insurance policy.
- (b) The applicant shall file a liability insurance policy satisfactory to the director of finance, authorized to transact business in the state, combined single limit in the amount of \$300,000.00 per occurrence, which liability insurance shall bind the obligors thereof to make compensation for injuries and/or death to persons and loss of or damage to property resulting from the negligent, lawful or unlawful operation of any vehicle operating at any time under the applicant's permit, whether such vehicle be licensed or not. All policies of insurance shall contain an endorsement reciting that they are issued and filed in compliance with and subject to the terms of this chapter, and a true copy shall be filed with the application for an operator's permit. Such policy shall provide that it will not be cancelled without ten days' notice to the

director of finance and to the operator, which notice shall be given by serving the notice upon the director of finance. Cancellation of any such policy of insurance shall operate to terminate the license of the operator to whom such policy was issued as of the date when such cancellation becomes effective. Such license may be reinstated if the operator holding the license shall within 30 days file with the director of finance another insurance policy satisfactory to the director of finance and complying with the terms of this section, and if during such period of time when such license was revoked such operator has not engaged in the vehicle for hire business within the city.

Section 2. That Section 126-41, Operator's permit, vehicle license and chauffeur's license required, of Article II, Taxicab Operations and Rules, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE II. TAXICAB OPERATIONS AND RULES

Sec. 126-41. Operator's license, vehicle license and chauffeur's license required.

No taxicab shall be operated upon the streets of the city until an operator's license therefore has been obtained from the city council. No taxicab shall operate upon the streets of the city unless the vehicle is licensed as set forth in section 30-121 and the operator has obtained a chauffeur's license as required by this chapter.

Section 3. That Section 126-107, Issuance; Term, of Article IV, Chauffeur's License, of Chapter 126, Vehicles for Hire, be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE

Sec. 126-107. Issuance; term.

If an application under this article is approved by the chief of police, and the applicant shall pay the required fee as set forth in section 30-121, the director of finance shall then license the applicant to follow the occupation of driver of a vehicle for hire in the city for the term set forth in Article III of Chapter 30.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall become effective on June 1, 2008.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 19th day of May, 2008.

Gary L. Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Gollhofer, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian W Head, City Attorney