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**ORDINANCE #1122-25**  
**AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING**  
**VEHICLES FOR HIRE**

***BE IT ORDAINED*** by the City Commission of the City of Lead that, pursuant to SDCL 9-19, the City of Lead Ordinances listed below be amended to read as follows:

**VEHICLES FOR HIRE**

**§ 110.080 DEFINITIONS.**

**Taxicab:** A public transportation device used to convey passengers to and from destinations of their choice; such as, but not limited to, vehicles, limousines, rickshaws, and velotaxis (pedi cabs), excluding transportation network company driver devices.

**Taxicab business:** Any person, firm or corporation engaging in the commercial practice of providing public transportation which is not a transportation network company to the destination(s) of choice of passengers.

**Transportation network company:** A corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity that uses a digital network to connect transportation network company riders to transportation network company drivers who provide prearranged rides and that does not control, direct, or manage the personal vehicles or transportation network company drivers that connect to its digital network, except where agreed to by written contract.

**Transportation network company driver:** A person who receives connections to potential riders and related services from a transportation network company in exchange for payment of a fee to the transportation network company and who uses a personal vehicle to provide a prearranged ride to riders upon connection through a digital network controlled by a transportation network company in return for compensation or payment of a fee.

**Transportation network company rider:** A person who uses a transportation network company's digital network to connect with a transportation network driver who provides a prearranged ride to the person in the driver's personal vehicle between points chosen by the person.

**§ 110.085 LICENSE REQUIRED.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of transporting persons or property for profit or hire within the city, other than a transportation network company, without first having obtained a license therefor.

Transportation network companies are not required to obtain a license from the Lead Police Chief or designee.

(Prior Code, § 8-700) Penalty, see § 110.999

#### § 110.086 APPLICATION.

A written application for license shall be made in regular form and in addition shall have a complete description of the vehicles to be used including a state license number and the owner's contact information including a telephone number.

(Prior Code, § 8-701) (Ord. 1065-19, passed 5-20-2019)

#### § 110.087 LICENSE FEE.

The annual license fee shall be set by resolution of the City of Lead Commission for each vehicle so employed in transporting persons for hire or profit.

(Prior Code, § 8-702) (Ord. 1065-19, passed 5-20-2019)

#### § 110.088 INSURANCE REQUIRED.

(A) Any person, before being granted a license shall secure and file with the City Finance Officer a policy of liability and property damage insurance or surety bond covering the operation of each vehicle for which a license is sought.

(B) The bond or policy shall protect against liability to third persons for personal injuries and property suffered or sustained by them as a result of the operation of the vehicles and shall be in the amount of not less than \$100,000 for one person, and not less than \$300,000 for more than one person injured as a result of one accident, and not less than \$50,000 for property damage.

(Prior Code, § 8-703) (Ord. 749-83, passed 5-23-1983; Ord. 1065-19, passed 5-20-2019)  
Penalty, see § 110.999

#### § 110.089 LICENSE GRANTED.

The Lead Police Chief or designee shall approve the issuance of the license provided that the applicant is legally eligible to engage in the business of transporting persons for hire, that their vehicles and equipment are such as are consistent with the safety of the public, and that the public convenience will be served by the granting of the license.

(Prior Code, § 8-704) (Ord. 1065-19, passed 5-20-2019)

Those voting aye:

Those voting nay:

ATTEST:

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Dustin Heupel  
City of Lead, Mayor  
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City of Lead, City Administrator

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