AN ORDINANCE of the City of Kent, Washington, regulating and licensing certain motor vehicles and drivers for-hire; fixing rates; providing for the issuance and suspension or revocation of for-hire licenses; defining offenses and prescribing penalties; and repealing Kent City Ordinance 0.749 sections 1, 2, 8 and 9--1945; repealing Kent City Ordinance 0.749 s. 7, as amended by 0.989--1958.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT DO ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The following Kent City Ordinance and sub-sections thereof are hereby repealed: Ordinance 0.749 sections 1, 2, 8 and 9--1945, and Ordinance 0.749, s. 7, as amended by 0.989--1958.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS: The following terms for the purpose of this Ordinance shall mean:

A. CITY CLERK, CHIEF OF POLICE, or any of his or their duly authorized representatives.

B. "FOR-HIRE DRIVER" means any person in charge of or driving a taxicab carrying passengers or baggage for hire, as hereinafter further defined; provided, however, that the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to drivers of motor vehicles used in interstate commerce nor to drivers of motor vehicles operated by any municipal or privately owned, licensed transit system.

C. "PERSON" means wherever used in this ordinance to include natural persons of either sex, firms, co-partnerships, associations and corporations, whether acting by themselves, by servant, agent or employee. The singular number shall include the plural and the masculine pronoun shall include the feminine and the neuter.

D. "TAXICAB" means every motor vehicle having capacity of seven (7) passengers or less, used for the transportation of passengers for hire, and not operated over a
fixed or definite route.

E. "TAXIMETER" means any instrument or device by which the charge for hire of a passenger carrying vehicle is mechanically measured or calculated either for the distance traveled by such vehicle or for waiting time, or for both, and upon which such calculated charges shall be indicated by means of figures.

F. "MOTOR VEHICLE" means every self-propelled vehicle by or upon which any person may be transported or carried upon a public street, highway or alley; provided that vehicles used exclusively upon stationary rail, tracks or propelled by the use of overhead electric wires, or for hotel or motel keepers conveying their guests to and from hotels or motels free of charge or reward and used exclusively for that purpose only, shall not come under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3. LICENSE - APPLICATIONS: It shall be unlawful to engage in the business of operating any taxicab or any vehicle for hire without first obtaining a license so to do from the City Clerk, which shall be obtained in the following manner:

A. The applicant for such license, in a manner approved by the City Clerk, shall show in his application, the classification under which the vehicle will be operated, whether as a taxicab or other vehicle for hire, the calendar year for which the license is sought and shall furnish full, true and accurate information concerning the ownership, identification, company vehicle number, the name of the business, fictitious or otherwise under which the vehicle is to be operated, the distinguishing color scheme, design or dress, including any monogram or insignia being requested of the City to be used on such vehicle or vehicles, the number of days and the mileage for each day of operation for any or all vehicles operated by the applicant under any license issued under the
provisions of this ordinance or any prior ordinance of the City of Kent regulating taxicabs and for-hire vehicles for the year preceding the yearly period specified in the application for a license. The applicant shall also show in this application whether he has been convicted of any violation within ten (10) years preceding the date of application relating to the sale or possession of intoxicating liquor, gambling, or any law or ordinance relating to public morality and decency, or for violating any law or ordinance involving an intent to defraud, or whether the applicant has ever been convicted of any law or ordinance relating to the use, sale or possession of narcotic drugs or barbiturates, or any such other information the City Clerk may require which he deems reasonably necessary to aid in the enforcement of this ordinance.

B. The Clerk shall inquire into the correctness of the information furnished, and if he is so satisfied, after due investigation, that the applicant is the reliable and bona fide owner of the motor vehicle, has met the name under which the applicant is to operate and the color scheme used upon the motor vehicle does not conflict with others so used, or tend to deceive the public, that the motor vehicle is equipped with proper State license and is properly bonded for the protection of the public as required by law, a license may thereupon be issued in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, authorizing the operation of said motor vehicle under the classification applied for, either for the next succeeding calendar year or for the remainder of the current year, as requested by the applicant.

C. No application for a license issued under the provisions of this ordinance shall be granted to any person if the City Clerk after due investigation has good reason to believe that the applicant is dishonest or immoral, and desires such license to enable him to engage in a dishonest, unlawful or
immoral act, practice or enterprise; provided, however, that no license shall be issued in the event the applicant, and if a corporation, any of its principal officers, has been convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude or an intent to defraud during the ten (10) years prior to such application.

D. The City Clerk shall not grant any license issued under the provisions of this ordinance where the consent and approval of the City Council is required, as hereinbelow specified.

E. No license shall be transferable to any person except in case of a bona fide sale of the business of the owner or operator of the motor vehicle, and then only with the prior consent of the City Council; and no license shall be transferred to any other motor vehicle without approval of the City Clerk, and then only in cases where the motor vehicle for which the license is issued shall be sold, become obsolete, unsafe or unfit for further use, which such determination shall be made by the Chief of Police and his determination shall be conclusive. Whenever the City Council consents to such transfer in case of sale, thereupon the new owner shall promptly apply for the proper licenses as set forth in this ordinance and pay the fees specified in Section 34 hereof.

F. Each application for a taxicab, vehicle-for-hire license, or renewal or transfer thereof made by or on behalf of a corporation under this ordinance shall include a list of the names, residence addresses and telephone numbers of all the shareholders of such corporation, and no change in the controlling interest of said corporation shall be made without the filing of a request for transfer, and payment of the transfer fee with the City Clerk, which transfer shall have the prior approval of the City Council. Failure to comply with this provision shall be grounds for revocation of such license.

Section 4. TAXICABS, MAXIMUM NUMBER: The number of
taxicabs authorized to operate and for which licenses may be
issued shall be based upon the population of the City, as deter-
mined by the last preceding official state census, at the ratio
of one (1) taxicab to each two thousand one hundred (2,100)
inhabitants.

Section 5. UNLAWFUL TO SUBLET: It shall be unlawful for
the holder of a taxicab license to directly or indirectly lease
or sublet his business and license to another person or persons
for use or operation and any such action shall be grounds for
revocation of said license; provided, however, that nothing here-
in contained shall prevent the holder of a valid taxicab license
from employing drivers for his taxicabs.

Section 6. COLOR SCHEME: The City Clerk shall, in the
interest of protecting the public from being deceived or confused,
have the exclusive control in the granting of permission to use
any color scheme, design or monogram by any taxicab or vehicle
for hire. It shall be unlawful to use or change any color, de-
sign, monogram or insignia on any taxicab or vehicle for hire,
without the prior permission and approval of the City Clerk.
Failure to comply with this provision shall be grounds for revo-
cation of any vehicle for-hire license.

No taxicab license shall be issued for a second or succeed-
ing year for the same taxicab or for any other taxicab under the
same license, unless the taxicab and any other taxicab for which
the license has been transferred as herein authorized, has during
the calendar year covered by the license been operative for at
least ten (10) miles per day for two hundred and forty (240) days
of said year, nor shall any new taxicab license be issued to any
person holding a license which lapses because of failure to meet
the foregoing requirements in the next preceding year.

Section 7. EXPIRATION OF LICENSES AND LICENSE FEES: All
licenses issued under this ordinance shall expire on the last day

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of December of each calendar year. Such licenses may be renewed by the license holder for the succeeding year by making application therefor with the City Clerk at least ten (10) days prior to the expiration date.

Section 8. UNLAWFUL TO OPERATE FOR-HIRE VEHICLES WITHOUT LICENSE: It shall be unlawful for any person to own, operate or drive a vehicle for hire within the City of Kent without having first taken out for each and every vehicle so used, a license so to do, to be known as "Vehicle License".

Section 9. KENT VEHICLE LICENSE TAG: The City Clerk shall furnish each vehicle license issued, one or more tags, to be known as Kent Vehicle License Tags. Each such tag shall bear the number of such vehicle license and the year for which said license was issued, together with the words "Kent Vehicle Tag". The form, material and positioning on the vehicle of each such license tag shall be as prescribed by the Chief of Police. It shall be unlawful for any owner, operator or driver of a vehicle for hire to operate such vehicle without having conspicuously displayed thereon such vehicle license tag, furnished and authorized by the City Clerk, or to operate such vehicle with expired or illegible Kent Vehicle License Tags thereon, or to fail to comply with any regulation of the City Clerk and Chief of Police relating to such tags.

Such tags shall be and remain the property of the City of Kent and upon the revocation, surrender, suspension or expiration of a vehicle license, or if found in the possession of any person other than to whom the license was issued, such tags shall be picked up by any Police Officer and returned to the City Clerk.

Section 10. DUPLICATE LICENSE TAGS: Whenever a Kent Vehicle License Tag becomes lost, destroyed or stolen, a duplicate may be authorized by the City Clerk at the expense of the licensee. Should the original of the ordered duplicate be later
found, such original shall be promptly returned to the City Clerk. It shall be unlawful to manufacture or produce any such Vehicle License Tag or duplicates thereof herein provided except by order of the City Clerk.

Section 11. RATE SCHEDULE: The fees for transporting persons and their baggage from one point in the City to any other point in the City shall be as follows: For one passenger for the first 1/5 mile, or fraction thereof, 50¢. Thereafter, for each additional one-quarter (1/4) mile, or fraction thereof, 10¢. For every one and one-half minutes of waiting time, 10¢. For each additional passenger, 20¢. No additional passenger shall be picked up without the express consent of the original passenger.

Section 12. DISPLAY OF TAXICAB NUMBER: It shall be unlawful for any taxicab to fail to have conspicuously displayed on the left inside center door post where it is readily discernible by the passenger, the name and number of the taxicab, which information shall be contained on a plastic sealed card attached to a metal holder; the size and form thereof to be determined and approved by the City Clerk. It shall be unlawful during the hours of darkness to fail to sufficiently illuminate such name and number. Likewise, each licensee shall adequately illuminate the rate schedule information hereinabove referred to, during the hours of darkness so that such information is readily available to any passenger.

Section 13. TAXIMETER: It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, operate or engage in the business of operating a taxicab unless said taxicab is equipped with a taximeter which has been inspected and approved by the Chief of Police.

It shall be the duty of the owner, driver of any other person having possession or control of a taxicab to at all times keep such taximeter accurate and in good working condition. Prior to the installation of such taximeter, the same shall be approved.
for operation by the Chief of Police or the Chief of Police may
require the licensee to have such meter tested and inspected by
another municipal agency or independent testing laboratory and
upon such approval, a written notice and lead wire seal shall be
plainly posted and attached to the taximeter for the information
of the public. Such taximeter shall be rechecked and inspected
at least semi-annually in the same manner as the original inspec-
tion.

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, operate or
engage in the business of operating a taxicab whenever the Chief
of Police ascertains that said seal of approval has been broken,
cut, removed or is missing.

It shall be unlawful for any person to fail, resist or
refuse the Chief of Police or his duly authorized agent or repre-
sentative to test and reinspect the taximeter at any time when
so ordered.

Section 14. FARES CHARGED: It shall be unlawful for any
person to drive or operate, or engage in the business of operat-
ing a taxicab unless a taximeter is at all times used on each of
such taxicabs in determining the fare or the rate to be charged
and collected; and in compliance with the rate schedule filed
with the City Clerk and posted inside the cab. It shall be un-
lawful for any person operating or driving, or engaged in the
business of operating a taxicab to charge, demand, collect or
receive any fare, rate or charge which is not directly based,
measured or computed upon the record on the reading face of the
taximeter used on such taxicab. It shall be unlawful for any
person to use or employ any other or different method of comput-
ing or measuring such distance or time charges than the methods
hereinabove specifically provided.

Section 15. INSTALLATION OF TAXIMETER: Every taximeter
shall be installed at the right side of the driver, either
adjoining the cowl or dashboard of the taxicab, and at such height
that the flag thereof may be readily seen by observers on the
street. The reading face of the taximeter shall at all times be
well lighted and distinctly readable to the passengers within the
taxicab. It shall be unlawful to change the size of the wheels
or tires of any taxicab or the gears operating the taximeter or
to change the taximeter from one taxicab to another unless such
taximeter is reinspected and approved by the Chief of Police or
his duly authorized agent or representative before it is so used.

Section 16. FLAG TO BE IN PROPER POSITION: It shall be
unlawful for any driver of a taxicab while carrying passengers
or under employment to display the flag attached to the taximeter
at such a position as to denote that such taxicab is not employed,
or to throw the flag of the taximeter at a recording position
when such vehicle is not actually employed, or to fail to throw
the flag of such taximeter at a non-recording position at the
termination of each and every service.

It shall be unlawful for any person to change, alter, ad-
just, modify or in any manner tamper with any taximeter so as to
cause the same to register a fare other than prescribed by this
ordinance.

Section 17. DRIVER'S LICENSE: It shall be unlawful for
any person owning, controlling, or engaged in the business of
operating taxicabs or for-hire vehicles to employ as the driver
of any such vehicle, or permit any such vehicle to be operated
by a driver who does not have in his possession a valid and subsis-
ting For-Hire Driver's License, and a valid and subsisting
Washington State vehicle driver's license.

Section 18. SUSPENSION-REVOCATION OF FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S
LICENSE: Any driver of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle who shall
charge any passenger a rate or fare other than that provided for
in this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be punished, in
addition to any other penalties provided by law, by having his For-Hire Driver's License suspended for a period of not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one (1) year.

Section 19. TRIP SHEETS: It shall be unlawful for any person owning or operating any taxicab or for-hire vehicles, to fail to keep an accurate daily record on a trip sheet, the form and size to be determined and approved by the City Clerk for each shift such equipment is operated. All daily trip sheets shall be kept on file for a period of five (5) years at the address for which the vehicle for-hire license is issued, unless otherwise specified or directed by the City Clerk. All daily trip sheets shall be open for inspection by the City Clerk or Chief of Police at any time either while carried in the vehicle for hire or at the address of the licensee. It shall be unlawful for anyone to fail to make available any trip sheet for inspection upon request by the City Clerk or Chief of Police.

It shall be unlawful for any for-hire driver to fail or refuse to turn in his trip sheet or moneys collected from taxi-trip fares to his employer or his duly authorized agent at the end of each shift worked.

The following information shall be contained on each trip sheet:

1. The driver's name as licensed and For-Hire Driver's License number.

2. The driver's residence address and telephone number.

3. The company name and vehicle number.

4. The date, time and place of origin and dismissal of each trip. (Including trips where the passenger did not complete an actual trip.)

5. The fare paid.

6. The number of passengers paying or not paying and any other items for which a charge was or was not made.
7. The beginning and ending speedometer mileage of the vehicle for each shift worked.
8. The beginning and ending time for each shift worked.
9. The beginning and ending meter readings for each shift worked.

The driver of any taxicab or for-hire vehicle shall, on request of any passenger paying him a fare for any trip, issue a receipt showing such information for said trip.

Failure to keep an accurate daily trip sheet or the withholding of a trip sheet or fare moneys collected by a for-hire driver from his employer or his duly authorized agent, shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of his for-Hire Driver's License.

Section 20. DISPLAY OF LICENSES: Every owner or operator of any taxicab or for-hire vehicle shall at all times carry in such vehicle permits issued by the Department of Licenses of the State of Washington showing such vehicle to be properly bonded for the protection of the public, and also the licenses and permits issued pursuant to this City ordinance.

Section 21. CONDITION OF DRIVER: It shall be unlawful for any for-hire driver to consume any alcoholic beverage at any time within eight (8) hours of reporting for duty, or while on duty as a driver to operate any for-hire vehicle while under the influence of or affected by intoxicating liquors, narcotics, barbiturates, or any medicine that shall impair his ability to drive.

It shall be unlawful for any for-hire driver to drive, operate or be in a vehicle for hire in a position to drive or operate for longer than ten (10) hours in any one twenty-four (24) hour period.

Each driver shall be neatly and cleanly attired and shall present a clean and neat appearance pertaining to his clothes, shoes, physical body, head and face care. The Chief of Police
shall have the right to order any for-hire driver to cease oper­
ing or driving a vehicle for hire if in his determination the
for-hire driver's appearance and condition would be offensive to
a passenger or detrimental to the traveling public and such
driver shall cease such operation until the condition or appear­
ance complained of has been properly corrected.

Section 22. INSPECTION OF VEHICLES: All vehicles operated
under the authority of this ordinance shall be available for in-
spection at any time, at any place by the Chief of Police. The
Chief of Police shall inspect a vehicle for hire to determine
cleanliness, proper equipment, good appearance, safe operating
condition and shall in all cases be the sole judge in this deter-
mination.

If the Chief of Police determines during his inspection
that the condition of any taxicab or vehicle for hire needs cor­
rection, he shall issue to the operator or driver thereof a notice
in writing, specifying such defects and same shall be remedied
immediately or at a later date to be fixed by the Chief of Police
in such notice.

The Chief of Police shall order any vehicle for hire to
cease operation immediately if in his determination the vehicle
is in an unsafe condition and shall notify the operator or driver
in writing and shall remove the seal of approval from the vehicle.

It shall be unlawful for any operator or driver to drive
or operate a vehicle for hire in an unsafe condition or without
proper equipment, as determined by the Chief of Police.

It shall be unlawful to fail to comply with any written
notice by the Chief of Police to make certain corrections on a
vehicle for hire.

Section 23. DIRECT ROUTE OF TRAVEL: Any driver of a taxi-
cab or for-hire vehicle employed to carry passengers to a definite
point shall take the most direct route possible that will carry
the passenger safely and expeditiously to his destination.

Section 24. UNAUTHORIZED DRIVERS: It shall be unlawful for anyone engaged in the business of operating a taxicab or vehicle for-hire to knowingly employ a driver who has within one (1) year prior thereto been convicted of driving any motor vehicle while under the influence of or affected by intoxicating liquors, narcotics or barbiturates.

If any driver of a taxicab or vehicle for hire shall be convicted of driving such vehicle while under the influence of or affected by liquor or narcotics, the For-Hire Driver's License of such driver shall be revoked and he shall not be granted a For-Hire Driver's License for a period of at least one (1) year from the date of such conviction.

Section 25. UNLAWFUL NOT TO PAY FARE: It is unlawful for any driver of a taxicab to refuse to accept as a passenger any person of proper deportment who requests a ride when the taxicab is unemployed, and it is unlawful for any person to refuse to pay the regular fare for a taxicab or for-hire vehicle after having hired the same.

Section 26. LEAVING TAXICAB UNATTENDED: It shall be unlawful for any driver of a taxicab or for-hire vehicle to leave the same unattended, or to make repairs thereto or wash such vehicle while in a taxicab zone; except that a period of not to exceed sixty (60) minutes is allowed such driver for the purpose of taking his meals or shopping, during which time such taxicab may be left unattended as long as same does not interfere with other taxicabs within such zone.

Section 27. BAGGAGE: Persons served with a taxicab hereunder shall be entitled to have with them their valises or small hand baggage as can be conveniently carried within the vehicle, loaded, conveyed and unloaded without charge. Persons cancelling calls for taxicabs or for-hire vehicles after dispatch in answer
thereto, may be charged the same rate as if used.

Section 28. TWO-WAY RADIO DISPATCH: It shall be unlawful for any for-hire driver to fail to respond to a call from the dispatcher to pick up a passenger when so requested or to fail to keep the radio in the taxiab or for-hire vehicle operating at all times during the shift the taxiab or for-hire vehicle is operated. All taxiabs or for-hire vehicles shall have conspicuously placed on the vehicle by the name of the cab, the telephone number where the taxiab or for-hire vehicle may be radio dispatched from.

Section 29. DISCONTINUED USE AS TAXIAB: All taxiabs licensed under this ordinance when discontinued for use as a vehicle for-hire shall be sufficiently repainted forthwith with a color that will not tend to confuse or lead the public to believe the vehicle may still be a taxiab and said vehicle may not be used on the street for private transportation until the repainting has been completed. Failure to comply with the provisions of this section will be grounds for revocation of such license.

Section 30. UNLAWFUL TO SOLICIT FARES: It shall be unlawful for any for-hire driver to cruise, drive, or operate a taxiab repeatedly and persistently to and fro upon a public street or to solicit thereon, or on private property, or to haul any additional passengers when his taxiab has been engaged for-hire and is occupied already by a passenger or passengers, except with the permission of such occupying passenger or passengers. It shall also be unlawful to carry or transport any person other than the driver of the vehicle in the front seat of any taxiab except in cases where the rear seat thereof is occupied, in which case additional passengers not exceeding two in number, may be carried in the front seat.

Section 31. IDENTIFICATION OF DRIVERS: Every for-hire driver shall wear a badge of identification, the size, form and placement to be determined and approved by the City Clerk, and
such badge shall be worn by such driver at all times while he is
operating a vehicle for hire; such badge will show, among others,
the name of the licensed for-hire driver, and the name and tele-
phone number of the company employing such driver.

Section 32. QUALIFICATIONS FOR A FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S
LICENSE: No person shall be issued a For-Hire Driver's License
unless he possesses the following qualifications:

(A) Must be at least 21 years of age.

(B) Must be a bona fide resident of the State of Washington for at least six months prior to filing application.

(C) Must possess a valid State of Washington Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

(D) Must be free from any infirmity of body or mind which would render the applicant unfit for safe operation of a motor vehicle and shall have submitted to a medical examination and have obtained a certificate which is satisfactory to and approved by the Kent City Health Officer certifying his fitness as such for-hire driver. Proof of such a satisfactory medical examination and physical fitness shall be required once every three years to be submitted to the City Clerk.

(E) Must not be addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor, dangerous drugs or narcotics.

(F) Must not have been convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude or intent to defraud within the past ten (10) years prior to application.

Section 33. PERSONAL HISTORY OF APPLICANT: The applicant shall file with the City Clerk an application on a form furnished by the City Clerk, which shall be signed and sworn to by the applicant and which shall set forth the following facts concerning the applicant: Name, height, weight, color of hair and eyes, residence address, place and date of birth, length of time a resident of the State of Washington, whether a citizen or non-citizen, last place of employment, whether previously licensed and if so where, and whether or not the license was ever suspended or re-voked and for what cause, and such other information as the City Clerk may reasonably require. The applicant shall on the application give the names and mailing addresses of four persons, not
relatives, who have known the applicant for at least two years last past.

Section 34. HEALTH OFFICER: Any applicant who fails to pass a satisfactory medical examination may be re-examined after thirty (30) days after the original examination and if following such re-examination the certificate herein required for the approval of the City Health Officer is issued, the applicant may be licensed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 35. FINGERPRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION: Each application for a For-Hire Driver's License shall be accompanied by a complete set of fingerprints of the applicant, and also by three (3) recent duplicate photographs of the applicant of the size to be determined by the Chief of Police. One photograph shall be retained in the records of the Chief of Police and the second attached to the license in such manner that it cannot be removed and another photograph substituted therefor without detection; the third photograph, together with the name, address and telephone number shall be prominently displayed inside the taxicab so as to be readily discernible to any passenger.

Section 36. CHIEF OF POLICE TO INVESTIGATE APPLICANTS FOR DRIVER'S LICENSES: When an application for a For-Hire Driver's License, duly signed and sworn to and accompanied by the required certificate of the Health Officer has been received by the Chief of Police, he shall investigate the statements contained therein, and may obtain such other information concerning the applicant's character, integrity, personal habits, past conduct and general qualifications as will show the applicant's ability and skill as a driver of a motor vehicle for-hire, and his honesty, integrity and character for the purpose of determining whether the applicant is a suitable person to drive a motor vehicle for-hire within the City of Kent. All applications for For-Hire Driver's Licenses shall become null and void after sixty (60) days from
the date of filing, if the applicant for any reason fails or neg-
lects to obtain a license.

Section 37. TEMPORARY LICENSE: Upon application for a
For-Hire Driver's License, the City Clerk may, pending the required
examination and investigation of the qualifications of the appli-
cant and upon recommendation of the Chief of Police after his pre-
liminary investigation, issue a temporary For-Hire Driver's Permit
which shall entitle the applicant to operate a taxicab or other
for-hire vehicle pending final action upon his application, for a
period not to exceed twenty (20) days. Such temporary permit
shall not be transferable or assignable and shall be valid only
with the taxicab company to which it was originally issued. When-
ever the holder of such a temporary permit leaves the original
employment, the employer shall notify the City Clerk within twenty-
Four (24) hours thereof. Such permit may also be revoked by the
City Clerk or the Chief of Police for failure to report for examina-
tion pursuant to his application, or for any violation by the per-
mitee of or failure to comply with the conditions under which such
permit is issued. Revocation or cancellation of said temporary
permit by the City Clerk or Chief of Police shall be final unless
appealed from by the permittee to the City Council within five (5)
days from such revocation.

Section 38. ISSUANCE OF FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S LICENSE: If the
City Clerk is satisfied that the applicant for a for-hire driver's
license possesses the qualifications and is a suitable person to
drive a motor vehicle for-hire under the provisions of this ordi-
nance, he shall issue him a For-Hire Driver's License which will
entitle him to drive and operate a motor vehicle for-hire within
the City of Kent.

The license shall be of such form and size as is required
by the City Clerk and on one side the photograph of the licensee
shall be attached as herein required, together with a fingerprint,
the physical description of the licensee and the date of the
license and his signature. The other side of the license shall
contain the words "For-Hire Driver's License--City of Kent", and
also the number of the license, and the name of the licensee, and
date of expiration of the license. After the data herein required
has been inserted on the license, it shall be enclosed and sealed
in a durable transparent material.

Section 39. EXPIRATION AND RENEWALS OF FOR-HIRE DRIVER'S
LICENSES: All For-Hire Driver's Licenses shall expire on the
31st day of December of each calendar year unless suspended or
revoked prior thereto. Each such license may be renewed annually
thereafter by the City Clerk for a period of four (4) successive
years. The City Clerk shall devise in the license form the method
by which renewals herein provided for may be indicated on the
license, without issuing another license. Upon expiration of the
license and all renewals authorized herein, a new license shall
be required, which shall be issued only upon application, together
with photographs supplied and examinations taken as in the case
of an original license application. All licenses must be renewed
within ten (10) days from the date of expiration except as other-
wise herein provided. Applications for renewal shall be made
through the City Clerk on such forms as may be provided by his
office.

Section 40. DAMAGED OR WORN-OUT LICENSES TO BE REPLACED:
When the license is worn-out, damaged or otherwise unfit for use,
the City Clerk may require the license to be replaced in the same
form as the original license, at the expense of the licensee.

Section 41. DRIVER'S LICENSE CARRIED ON PERSON AND
EXHIBITED UPON REQUEST: The For-Hire Driver's License shall at
all times be carried on the person of the licensee; and shall on
request be exhibited by the licensee to any passenger or to any
police officer of license inspector.
Section 42. ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS: The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to make and enforce rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, and it shall be unlawful to violate or not to comply with any of said rules and regulations. All of such rules and regulations as promulgated by the Chief of Police from time to time shall be reduced to writing and mailed to each taxicab and for-hire vehicle owner for his information and for distribution thereof unto his employees.

Section 43. VIOLATIONS: The City Clerk and Chief of Police are hereby authorized and directed to enforce the terms and provisions of this ordinance. If it is determined that any licensee has violated or failed to comply with any provision of this ordinance, then the City Clerk of Chief of Police shall make a written record of such findings, specifying therein the particulars of any such violation and thereupon the license of any such driver may be suspended or revoked for a period to be fixed by the City Clerk and Chief of Police, in which event the license shall be surrendered unto the City Clerk. In case of revocation, such license shall be cancelled, and in case of suspension, the same shall be returned unto the licensee after expiration of the period of suspension; provided, however, such revocation for violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall not relieve the licensee of the penalties otherwise provided for in this ordinance. Any licensee whose license is revoked or suspended by the City Clerk or Chief of Police shall have the right to appeal to the City Council from any such order by filing with the City Clerk a written notice thereof within five (5) days after the entry of the order of revocation or suspension. The notice of appeal shall specify an address at which the licensee may be given notice of hearing on the appeal. After the filing of such appeal, the City Clerk shall set a time and place, not more than thirty (30) days
from such notice of appeal for hearing thereon, or such matter may be referred to a Committee of the City Council for hearing. At the hearing the licensee shall be entitled to appear in person and be represented by counsel and offer such evidence pertinent and material to the revocation or suspension. Upon filing of notice of such appeal, the City Clerk and Chief of Police shall immediately submit unto the City Council or its Committee, such records, data, reports and information as they have in their possession supporting their order of suspension or revocation. Immediately after such hearing, the City Council shall determine whether the revocation or suspension shall be sustained, and its action in that respect shall be final and conclusive in all respects. From the time of filing the written notice of appeal by the licensee and until the hearing and action thereon by the City Council, the order of the City Clerk and Chief of Police relative to such suspension or revocation shall be stayed.

Section 44. TAXICAB STANDS:

(a) Every person licensed to engage in the business of operating one or more taxicabs under the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon obtaining said license, designate in writing at that time with the City Clerk, one parking space located on the city streets where said person desires to have his taxicab stand located.

(b) If the City Clerk shall approve such location, he shall cause any parking meters or restrictive signs thereon to be removed and shall cause a sign to be placed at said location designating it as a "Taxicab Stand".

(c) If the City Clerk shall disapprove of such location, said person shall designate alternative locations until a satisfactory and safe location can be agreed upon.

(d) Each person shall reimburse the City the sum of $50.00 per year for the privilege of designating and using a parking
space as a taxicab stand as set forth in this ordinance, said sum shall be paid at the time of application for said space and annually thereafter on the last day of December of each year and the sums paid therefor shall be paid into the City of Kent parking meter fund.

(e) No person shall use a taxicab stand of another except for the purpose of unloading passengers in such a manner as to not interfere with the licensee of said taxicab stand.

Section 45. INSURANCE REQUIRED: Every person licensed to engage in the business of operating one or more taxicabs under the provisions of this ordinance shall, prior to being issued said license, and annually on the last day of December of each year thereafter, furnish proof to the City Clerk of having covered himself, his vehicles, his agents and employees with liability insurance in the following amounts:

- Bodily injury liability: $25,000.00 each person and $50,000.00 each occurrence
- Medical payments: $5,000.00 each person
- Property damage liability: $5,000.00 each occurrence.

Section 46. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES: Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding $300.00, or by imprisonment in the city jail for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 47. Any person feeling himself aggrieved through the applications of the provisions of this ordinance shall have the right, in addition to those appellate procedures set forth in Section 43 hereof, to appeal to the City Council following the procedures set forth in section 43 of this Ordinance.
Section 48: The Chief of Police and the City Clerk may jointly waive any of the provisions of this Ordinance where, in their collective opinion, an applicant presents proof of substantial compliance with one or more sections hereof.

Section 49: SAVING CLAUSE: If any section, sub-section, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or void, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 50: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

ALEX THORNTON, MAYOR

Attest:
CHARLES BRIDGES, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

JOHN D. BERLETZ, City Attorney

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