

Vote: Buswell, Graham, O'Barr, Sullivan-Leonard, Wall, and Wilson in favor

**City of Wasilla
Ordinance Serial No. 15-04**

An ordinance of the Wasilla City Council amending Wasilla Municipal Code Chapter 6.20.030 Application for Vehicle Permit and 6.20.070 Operator Permit in regard to the operation of Taxicabs.

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become part of the city code.

Section 2. Adoption of chapter. WMC 6.20.030(A) (2), Application for Vehicle Permit, in the Taxicabs Chapter, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

6.20.030 Application for Vehicle Permit.

(A) Each taxicab business must obtain an application for permit for each vehicle to be operated in connection with a taxicab business from the Wasilla Police Department on an annual basis. A vehicle permit application must be accompanied by the following information:

(1) The name and business identification number of the business that is applying for the taxicab permit;

(2) The make, model, vehicle identification serial number, license plate number, and current registration record of each vehicle to be permitted;

(3) A copy of the state of Alaska vehicle registration of each vehicle to be operated;

(4) Proof of common carrier liability insurance for each vehicle;

(5) A \$75.00 vehicle permit fee for each vehicle to be operated; and

(6) A copy of a report by a licensed mechanic stating that each vehicle to be operated is good mechanical condition.

Section 3. Adoption of chapter. WMC 6.20.070(A) (3), Operator Permit, in the Taxicabs Chapter, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

6.20.070 Operator Permit.

(A) Each operator of a taxicab must meet the following qualifications and have proof of the following information on file with the taxicab business owner:

- (1) Possess a valid Alaska driver's license;
- (2) Be at least 19 years of age; and
- (3) Obtain a current criminal background check from the State of Alaska ~~Wasilla Police Department~~.

(B) An operator of a taxicab must not have been convicted of sexual assault or sexual abuse in any degree, or have been convicted of a felony for driving under the influence of alcohol.

(3) Upon approval by the police chief, or his or her designee, a permit shall be issued to the operator. Once issued each operator shall carry the permit at any time of driving a taxicab vehicle.

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption by the Wasilla City Council.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on January 26, 2015.


BERT L. COTTLE, Mayor

ATTEST:


KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

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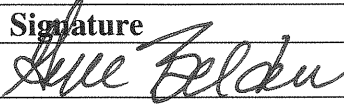

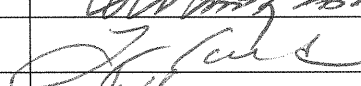

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CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT

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Originator: Chief Gene Belden
 Date: 12/15/2014

Agenda of: 1/12/2015

Route to:	Department Head	Signature	Date
X	Chief of Police		12-19-14
X	City Attorney		
X	Finance Director		12-27-14
X	Deputy Administrator		12/29/14
X	City Clerk		12-19-14

Reviewed by Mayor Bert L. Cottle:  12:24:2014

Fiscal Impact: yes or no **Funds Available:** yes or no

Account name/number: n/a

Attachments: Ordinance Serial No. 15-04 (2 pages)

Summary Statement: Wasilla Municipal Code (WMC) 6.20.030(A)(2) the make, model, serial number, license plate number, and current registration record of each vehicle to be permitted;

Serial number is not the correct term for any type of motor vehicle. All Forms, whether State, City, or private company use the term *Vehicle Identification Number*.

WMC 6.20.070(A)(3) obtaining current criminal background check from the Wasilla Police Department.

The Wasilla Police Department does not have the authority to conduct criminal background checks through APSIN or NCIC, unless connected to a Traffic Stop or Criminal Investigation. The Taxi Operator requesting a permit must go to the *State of Alaska* for a current criminal background. This background is printed and can be given to the City of Wasilla.

Staff Recommendation: Introduce and set for public hearing Ordinance Serial No. 15-04.