PUBLIC UTILITIES Sec. 11.06(7)(1)

(l) <u>Effective Date of Accessible Taxicab Service Provisions.</u> The requirements of Section 11.06(7)(a) and the additional ancillary provisions relating to operation of accessible taxicab service in this Substitute Ordinance # 13,596, shall have a delayed effective date in accordance with the following:

- 1. <u>No Initial Undertaking By Licensees To Trigger Effective Date.</u> The said requirements shall become effective on January 1, 2005 if, after July 1, 2004, the Traffic Engineer submits to the Common Council a report finding that a need for this ordinance exists as no current zone and/or meter taxicab service licensee has undertaken to provide accessible taxicab service as described in this ordinance and such report is approved by the Common Council by August 3, 2004.
- 2. Approved Traffic Engineer Report to Trigger Effective Date. In the event the said requirements do not first become effective in accordance with Paragraph 1., above, the Traffic Engineer shall submit an annual "Finding of Need" report to the Mayor, the Common Council, and the Transit and Parking Commission in conjunction with the annual taxicab license renewal recommendations report. This report shall include but not be limited to such information as the number of rides provided, the number of rides refused, accessible taxicab vehicle downtime, and actual cost of accessible taxicab rides to licensee. In the event that the Traffic Engineer's annual "Finding of Need" report for any given year finds that a need for the ordinance exists as the need for accessible taxicab service as described in this ordinance is not being met by one or more zone and/or meter taxicab service licensees and that such report is approved by the Common Council, the said requirements shall become effective six (6) months from the date of such approval.
- 3. <u>Five-year Review and Reassessment.</u> Every fifth year, the Traffic Engineer report referred to in Paragraph 2., above, shall contain an in-depth study of the ordinance addressing its continued need and efficacy in achieving accessible taxicab service, the existence of other viable alternatives and approaches and such other information as the Traffic Engineer deems relevant. Such study shall include information from affected industry and consumer groups and individuals and a survey of other similarly-sized municipal jurisdictions relating to accessible taxicab service.
- 4. If after the fifth annual report, there has as yet been no finding of need which has been approved by the Common Council, the accessible taxicab service provisions of the ordinance shall sunset and have no further force and effect unless the ordinance is further extended by action of the Common Council.

Until such time as the effective date of the accessible taxicab service requirements are triggered as provided in Paragraphs 1. or 2., above, the provisions of this ordinance requiring accessible taxicab service shall have no effect. Except as provided herein, the ordinance shall be effective upon publication. In the event the remaining provisions become effective as provided above, the ordinance shall be republished in full. (Cr. by Ord. 13,596, 4-21-04)

(m) Commencing with the effective date of this ordinance, the Traffic Engineer shall prepare, no later than July 1 of each year, a written report on accessible taxicab service throughout the City of Madison which shall include the number of passenger complaints and positive comments; a survey of licensee's opinions and concerns; the need for and sufficiency of the accessible taxicab surcharge; an evaluation of the efficacy of the ordinance in achieving adequate accessible taxicab service and such other information as the Traffic Engineer deems relevant. The report shall be submitted to the Commission on People with Disabilities, the Transit and Parking Commission, and the Common Council. (Cr. by Ord. 13,596, 4-21-04)

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