

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

ALTERNATE ORDINANCE _____

PRESENTED June 12, 2012
REFERRED TPC; DCC

Amending Sections 12.915(8)(a) and (b) and Section 11.06(3)(r) of the Madison General Ordinances to prohibit taxicabs waiting for passengers on State Street and permits them to provide service on State Street between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

LEGISTAR # 26603

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DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance repeals language allowing taxicabs to enter State Street and wait in designated loading areas. It permits taxicabs to provide service to prospective fares on State Street either by calling a dispatcher or hailing a vehicle between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. This ordinance will also clarify that hotel shuttle vehicles are not public passenger vehicles.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

1. Subdivision (a) of Subsection (8) entitled "Public Passenger Vehicle Regulations" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(a) Taxicabs and other public passenger vehicles shall enter the area for the sole purpose of receiving or discharging passengers specifically requesting service to properties directly adjacent to State Street. Taxicabs shall be permitted to provide demand-responsive transportation to prospective fares on the 100-600 blocks of State Street between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. Between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. during Central Standard Time, and between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. during Daylight Savings Time, these vehicles may drive onto State Street to wait in designated loading zones for prospective fares and during the hours specified these vehicles are subject to the limitation regarding idling as provided in subsection (7)(e)."

2. Subdivision (b) of Subsection (8) entitled "Public Passenger Vehicle Regulations" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(b) It shall be unlawful for taxicabs and other public passenger vehicles to enter and exit State Street other than via the cross street nearest ~~to~~ in the direction of their immediate destination ~~or by a route specified by the Traffic Engineering Division of the Department of Transportation.~~"

3. Subdivision (r) of Subsection (3) entitled "Definitions" of Section 11.06 entitled "Licensing and Regulating Public Passenger Vehicles, for Hire" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(r) "Public passenger vehicle" shall mean any self-propelled vehicle, pedal-cab, or horse-drawn vehicle which is used for the transportation of passengers for hire, excepting: 1) those operated

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on fixed routes pursuant to authority granted by the City, State or Federal Government; 2) such vehicles as are rented to be driven by the renter or her/his agent, commonly known as rent-a-cars; 3) vehicles operated solely as funeral cars; 4) carpools; ~~and~~ 5) amphibious motor vehicles properly registered and licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation as motor buses and operating on the highway upon routes between lake access points; and 6) hotel shuttle vehicles."