

On motion of \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_,  
the following Ordinance was offered:

**SUMMARY NO. 22849    ORDINANCE NO.**

An Ordinance amending Chapter 38, Article I, Section 10, of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances relative to changes to taxicab rates and rate cards, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (Parishwide)

**THE JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION I.** That Chapter 38, Article I, Section 10 be amended to be and read as follows:

**Sec. 38-10. Rates and rate cards.**

- (a) *Legal fares.* It shall be unlawful for any person to ask, demand or collect any rate of fare other than as specified herein for use of any taxicab, sightseeing vehicle, or other for-hire vehicle regulated by this chapter.
- (b) *Rates and charges to be posted.* The owner of each vehicle regulated by the provisions of this chapter shall post therein the rates and charges specified herein which are applicable to the vehicle, and it shall be unlawful for any person to operate same unless the rates and charges are posted as prescribed herein. Such rates and charges specified herein shall be printed in legible type on a card or sticker not less than four (4) inches by seven (7) inches, shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the rear windows of the vehicle facing in, and shall be so arranged that passengers can readily determine the exact rate of fare and charges payable by them.
- (c) *Sightseeing vehicles and buses.* Sightseeing vehicles must post the rate for each tour offered to the public or provide to the prospective passenger in advance of the tour an information sheet or folder outlining the points of interest to be visited and the cost of the tour.
- (d) *Meter fare, personalized service:*
  - (1) *Meter fare.* The fare shall be three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) for the first one-eighth (1/8) mile or forty (40) seconds and twenty-five cents (\$.25) for each additional one-eighth (1/8) mile or forty (40) seconds.
  - (2) *Personalized service.* Whenever a taxi driver is called upon to render a time-consuming personalized service beyond his normal transportation of passengers, the minimum fare shall be six dollars (\$6.00). An acceptance of this charge shall be agreed to between the parties prior to the trip. This provision shall apply for chauffeur hand-carried packages up to and not exceeding four (4) when accompanied by passenger. Passenger-carried packages are not subject to minimum charge rules.
  - (3) *Meter inspections.* There will be a thirty-day extension from the date of this section to hold inspections of taxicab meters. This extension will allow the new rates to go in to effect to offset meter inspection fees.
- (e) *Taxicab hourly rate.* Whenever a taxicab is chartered by the hour, such arrangement shall be made between the driver and passenger at the start of the charter trip, and the rate therefore shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) an hour for a minimum of two (2) hours.
- (f) *Taxicab rates for additional passengers.* An additional charge of one dollar (\$1.00) per person for all passengers over one (1) shall be charged.
- (g) *Airport rates - Louis Armstrong International Airport.* The fare to or from Louis Armstrong International Airport shall be:
  - (1) Fares within the City of Kenner shall be:
    - a. *Kenner South:* Bounded by the south side of I-10, Jefferson/Street Charles Parish line, the River, up to but not including Roosevelt Boulevard, Filmore Street, shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
    - b. *Kenner Central:* Bounded by the north side of I-10, Jefferson/Street Charles Parish line, Roosevelt Boulevard,

- Esplanade Avenue, up to but not including West Esplanade, shall be sixteen dollars (\$16.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or eight dollars (\$8.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
- c. *Kenner North:* Bounded by West Esplanade Avenue, Jefferson/Street Charles Parish line, the Lake, Power Boulevard, up to but not including Power Boulevard, shall be eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or nine dollars (\$9.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
- (2) Fares to and from anywhere in Jefferson Parish, outside the city limits of Kenner and Gretna shall be:
- a. *Kenner East City Limits:* Bounded by the Lake, Roosevelt Boulevard, Illinois Central Railroad, David Drive/Power Boulevard, up to but not including David Drive, shall be eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or nine dollars (\$9.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
  - b. *River Ridge:* Bounded by Illinois Central Railroad, Filmore Street, the River and Folse Street and Hickory Avenue, up to but not including Folse Street and Hickory Avenue, shall be eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or nine dollars (\$9.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
  - c. *David Drive/Power Boulevard:* Bounded by the Lake, David Drive, Power Boulevard, Illinois Central Railroad, Clearview Parkway, up to but not including Clearview Parkway, shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or ten dollars (\$10.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
  - d. *Harahan:* Bounded by Illinois Central Railroad, Folse Street and Hickory Avenue, the River and Clearview Parkway, up to but not including Clearview Parkway, shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or ten dollars (\$10.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
  - e. *Clearview Parkway:* Bounded by the Lake, Clearview Parkway, the River, and Causeway Boulevard, up to but not including Causeway Boulevard, shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or eleven dollars (\$11.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
  - f. *Causeway Boulevard:* Bounded by the Lake, Causeway Boulevard, the River and Jefferson/Orleans Parish line (17th St. Canal), shall be twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or twelve dollars (\$12.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers, or meter reading, whichever is greater.
- (3) Fares to New Orleans shall be thirty-three dollars (\$33.00) for one (1) or two (2) passengers, or thirteen dollars (\$13.00) per person for three (3) or more passengers.
- a. Location east of the Elysian Field Avenue boundary line, the fare shall be metered fare from such boundary to the destination or point of origin plus the fare stated above.
- (4) Fares to or from any Westbank location shall be:
- a. Gretna to Waggaman South of the Mississippi River to Lapalco Blvd: A flat rate of forty dollars (\$40.00).
  - b. Gretna to Waggaman South of Lapalco and beyond, i.e., Estelle, Orleans Village, etc: A flat rate of forty-five dollars (\$45.00).
  - c. Belle Chase to Alvin Callendar Field and Lower Coast Algiers: A flat rate of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

An additional charge of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be charged for crossing the Crescent City Connection or Huey P. Long Bridge and in addition, any ferriage or bridge tolls computed on a round trip basis shall be added to the fare.

(h) *[Reserved.]*

(i) *Taxicab fuel surcharge.* An additional fuel surcharge of two dollars (\$2.00) is authorized and shall be charged per completed trip when said surcharge is in effect. The Jefferson Parish Council may suspend, increase, or decrease this surcharge by resolution.

**SECTION II.** That all ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this proposed ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION III.** That any and all sections found to be void or in conflict with other laws be repealed without the repealing of the entire ordinance.

**SECTION IV.** That the Chairman of the Jefferson Parish Council, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is authorized to sign and approve this ordinance to amend Chapter 38, Article I, Section 10 of the Code of Ordinances of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, to provide for increases to taxicab rates and rate cards.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

This ordinance was declared to be adopted on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2009, and shall become effective as follows: if signed forthwith by the Parish President, ten (10) days after adoption; thereafter, upon the signature by the Parish President, or, if not signed by the Parish President, upon expiration of the time for ordinances to be considered finally adopted without the signature of the Parish President, as provided in Section 2.07 of the Charter. If vetoed by the Parish President and subsequently approved by the Council, this ordinance shall become effective on the day of such approval.