

Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO: CITY COUNCIL DATE: November 2, 1998

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 5.72 (VEHICLES FOR HIRE)

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

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BACKGROUND:

Current taxicab operators have indicated that there is an oversupply of taxicabs in the local market with a potential to adversely affect the quality of service, and that it will work to the ultimate detriment of local service users. The City Council has directed that there be an ordinance passed to establish a moratorium on the issuance of new permits in order to preserve the status quo for approximately six months to allow City staff to study the situation and determine whether a revision in local law is indicated.

PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE:

The proposed ordinance would impose a temporary moratorium on the issuance of taxicab owner's and driver's permits in the City of Pasadena.

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MEETING OF 11/2/98
AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.A.1.

REASON WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

The imposition of a moratorium on the issuance of permits may only be accomplished by ordinance.

PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

The Department of Public Works and Transportation and the Department of Finance will be primarily affected by the proposed ordinance.

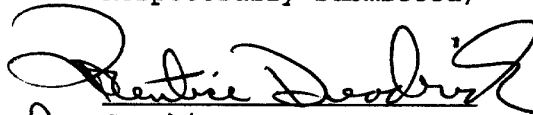
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The Environmental Administrator has determined that the proposed Ordinance is statutorily exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies. The moratorium will be used to study the relationship of the current ordinance and the operation of taxicabs within the City. Any future revision to the ordinance would have to consider possible impacts on the environment.

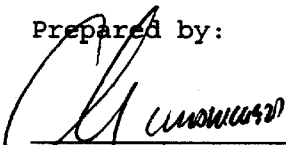
FISCAL and SERVICE IMPLICATIONS:

The City cost associated with instituting a temporary moratorium on new taxicab permits is negligible.

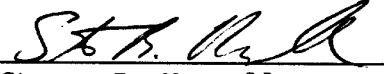
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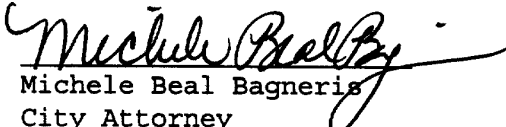

for Cynthia J. Kurtz
City Manager

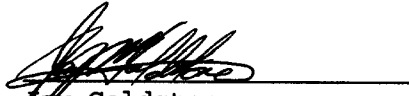
Prepared by:



Nicholas George Rodriguez
Assistant City Attorney

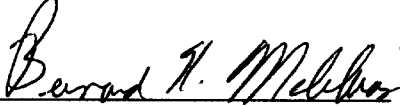
Concurrence:


Steven B. Mermell
Purchasing Administrator


Michele Beal Bagnieris
City Attorney


Jay Goldstone
Director of Finance


Jack Lidyard
Acting Director of Public
Works and Transportation


Bernard Melekian
Chief of Police

Introduced by Councilmember

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The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The license collector shall not accept applications for an owner's permit pursuant to Section 5.72.050 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to operate any vehicle defined in Section 5.72.020 of the Pasadena Municipal Code or for a driver's permit pursuant to Section 5.72.150 of the Pasadena Municipal Code to operate a taxicab, for hire vehicle, or sightseeing vehicle from November 23, 1998 through May 21, 1999, inclusive. All applications filed prior to November 23, 1998 and after May 21, 1999 shall be processed according to Chapter 5.72 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, and all other provisions of Chapter 5.72 of the Pasadena Municipal Code shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published in full text.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its publication.

Signed and approved this _____ day of _____, 1998.

Chris Holden
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by
the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held the ____
day of _____, 1998, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

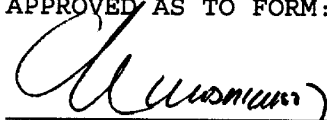
Absent:

Abstain:

Published:

Jane L. Rodriguez
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Nicholas George Rodriguez
Assistant City Attorney