Chapter 41

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41.01 DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS.

1. The following words and phrases when used in this Chapter have the meanings as set out therein:

   a) Taxicab Driver's License means the permission granted by the Chief of Police to a person to drive a taxicab or livery vehicle upon the streets of the City of DeKalb.
b) **Manifest** means a daily record prepared by a taxicab driver of all trips made by said driver showing time and place of origin, destination, number of passengers and the amount of fare for each trip.

c) **Rate Card** means a card issued by the City for display which contains the rates of fare then in force.

d) **Taxicab** means a motor vehicle regularly engaged in the business of carrying passengers for hire, having a seating capacity of less than nine (9) passengers and not operated on a fixed route. Taxicab shall include any such vehicle operated in this capacity, regardless of whether such vehicle displays a taxicab license plate. Taxicab shall also expressly include: a) any vehicle that is registered with the State of Illinois or any community as a taxicab; b) any vehicle required, under Illinois law, to be registered with a taxicab-specific license plate; and, c) any vehicle actually displaying a taxicab-specific license plate.

e) A **Livery Vehicle** is defined to be a vehicle for hire by the public, with fees therefor fixed on a trip or hourly basis and not having any fixed route or schedule, carrying up to a maximum of 20 passengers, including but not limited to vehicles operated with livery license plates issued by the State of Illinois. Livery shall include any such vehicle operated in this capacity, regardless of whether such vehicle displays a livery license plate. Livery shall also expressly include: a) any vehicle that is registered with the State of Illinois or any community as a livery; b) any vehicle required, under Illinois law, to be registered with a livery-specific license plate; and, c) any vehicle actually displaying a livery-specific license plate.

f) **For hire**, for purposes of this ordinance, means operated in exchange for any compensation, trade or barter, including but not limited to a per-mile or per-time charge, gratuity or other form of payment.

2. Any fee that is required to be established by the City Council pursuant to this Ordinance may be approved by ordinance, resolution or approved motion, without need for an amendment to this Ordinance.

3. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this Ordinance, this ordinance shall not be applicable to: a) any school bus or municipally operated bus; b) any vehicle operated by or through Northern Illinois University or a non-profit subsidiary thereof (including the Late Night Rides program vehicles); c) any vehicle operated completely free of charge or gratuity which provides rides between residential or university areas to establishments holding a valid liquor license within the City of DeKalb; d) any vehicle owned or operated by a public entity (provided that such vehicle is not leased to a private entity); or, e) any bus or vehicle operated by the Voluntary Action Center.

### 41.02 TAXICAB BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIRED

It shall be unlawful to engage in the business of operating a taxicab or livery vehicle within the City without first having secured a license therefor from the City Council under the provisions of this Chapter. It shall also be unlawful to engage in the business of operating a taxicab or livery vehicle within the City without first lawfully obtaining and installing a taxicab or livery license plate issue by the State of Illinois or the state in which a vehicle is registered, and obtaining a taxicab or livery driver’s license from the City under the terms of this Ordinance. This ordinance shall be applicable to any vehicle operated within the City of DeKalb or with trips or routes beginning or ending within the City of DeKalb, without regard to where such vehicle is based or operated from.
41.03 QUALIFICATIONS FOR TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE.

a) If an applicant for a Taxicab or Livery Business License is a natural person, he shall be at least 21 years of age.

b) If an applicant for a Taxicab or Livery Business license is a corporation, all owners shall be at least 21 years of age and it shall:
   1. Be a domestic corporation; or,
   2. Be a foreign corporation qualified and licensed to transact business in the State of Illinois.

c) If an applicant for a Taxicab or Livery Business license is a partnership, it shall:
   1. Be registered as such under applicable statutes; and,
   2. Have principals or partners, each of whom is at least 21 years of age.

41.04 APPLICATION FOR TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE.

An application for a Taxicab or Livery Business license shall be filed with the City Clerk on forms provided by the City. The application shall be signed by the applicant, if a natural person; signed by the President or Vice-President, if the applicant is a corporation; signed by a partner if the applicant is a partnership; and the information shall be verified on the oath of the person signing the application.

The application shall be on a form acceptable to the City Manager and shall include:

a) The name, business address and business telephone number of the applicant;

b) The trade name under which the applicant will provide service;

c) A statement of the types of service to be provided;

d) A statement describing the experience of the applicant in the transportation of passengers;

e) The State of Illinois vehicle license number and the class of license for every vehicle in service;

f) Certification of public liability and property damage insurance as required by the law of the State of Illinois and as required under this Ordinance for such service;

g) The phone number, address and email address for each officer, owner, director, partner or shareholder who owns 5% or more of the licensee (collectively, “Owners”);

h) A statement as to whether any of the Owners has ever owned an interest in a taxicab license that has been suspended or revoked for any reason (and if so, a detailed explanation); and,

i) Such other information as the City Clerk, City Manager or Chief of Police shall require.

j) Any change in the status of any information required to be reported on such license application (e.g. change in address, change in medical status, etc.) shall be reported to the Chief of Police within two business days of such change. Such change shall be a basis for termination, suspension or revocation of any taxicab or livery business license then in effect.
41.05 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

41.06 ISSUANCE OF TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE.

Within thirty (30) days of the filing of an application for a taxicab or livery license, the City Manager or his designee shall meet with the applicant. If the City Manager or his designee should find that further taxicab or livery service in the City is necessary and desirable and that the applicant is fit, willing, able and qualified to perform such public transportation and to conform to the provisions of this ordinance, the City Manager shall direct the City Clerk to issue a Taxicab or Livery Business license stating the name and address of the applicant, the number of vehicles authorized under said license and the date of issuance; otherwise, the application shall be denied.

In making the above findings, the City Manager shall take into consideration the number of taxicabs and livery vehicles already in operation, whether existing transportation is adequate to meet the public need, the probable effect of increased service on local traffic conditions and the character, experience and responsibility of the applicant.

41.07 INDEMNITY BOND OR LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIRED.

No Taxicab or Livery Business license shall be issued or continued in operation unless there is in full force and effect a combined single limit automotive liability and property insurance policy for each vehicle authorized with minimum coverage of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) for bodily injury per person or per accident involving property damage from an insurer licensed to do business in the State of Illinois. A certificate of insurance for such policies shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk and shall contain a provision requiring 30-day advance notice to the City of DeKalb of any cancellation or non-renewal. All such policies of insurance shall be required to demonstrate coverage for the full term of a requested Taxicab or Livery license. Should an applicant request a Taxicab or Livery license for a term that extends beyond the term of insurance demonstrated on the certificate of insurance filed, the license issued shall be issued only for the period of coverage evidenced on the certificate of insurance, at the conclusion of which, the license shall expire. The Applicant shall then be entitled to apply for a new or renewal taxicab or livery license, but there shall not be any pro-ration of application fees or costs.

41.08 TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE FEES.

No Taxicab or Livery Business License shall be issued or continued in operation unless the holder thereof has paid an annual license fee in such amount as the City Council shall determine from time to time for the right to engage in the taxicab business and an additional fee in such amount as the City Council shall determine from time to time each year for each vehicle operated under a Taxicab or Livery Business license. Said license fees shall be for the license year, which shall be May 1st to April 30th (unless issued for a shorter period of time under this ordinance), and shall be in addition to any other license fees or charges established by a proper authority and applicable to said license holder or the vehicle or vehicles under his operation and control.

41.09 TRANSFER OF TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE.

No Taxicab or Livery Business License may be sold, assigned, mortgaged or otherwise transferred.
41.10 SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF TAXICAB OR LIVERY BUSINESS LICENSE.

A Taxicab or Livery Business license issued under the provisions of this Chapter may be revoked or suspended by the City Manager if the holder thereof has (a) violated any of the provisions of this Chapter, (b) discontinued operations for more than three (3) days, (c) has violated any ordinances of the City or the laws of the United States or the State of Illinois, the violations of which reflect unfavorably on the fitness of the holder to offer public transportation.

Prior to suspension or revocation, the holder shall be given notice of the proposed action to be taken via a letter mailed to the address listed on the applicant’s then-current taxicab license, and shall have the opportunity to request a hearing regarding the proposed suspension or revocation, before the City Manager. Any decision of the City Manager to suspend or terminate a taxicab license may be appealed to the City Council, whose decision shall be final.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City Manager may, at any time and without notice, order the temporary suspension of a taxicab or livery license based upon his determination that, under the circumstances, the emergency suspension of a taxicab license is necessary to protect the public health, safety, welfare or morals. Such emergency suspensions shall be in effect for no longer than ten business days. In the event of an emergency suspension, the City shall immediately undertake efforts to notify the licensee of the emergency suspension, and shall also issue a written notice to the licensee of the suspension and the opportunity to request a hearing in accordance with the preceding paragraph. It shall be unlawful to operate a taxicab or livery vehicle within the City of DeKalb during any time that a license is suspended, revoked or otherwise not in good standing.

Further, a license may be suspended indefinitely, at any time, should any Owner as defined herein become delinquent or overdue on any debt or obligation of any sort due to the City, whether or not such debt or obligation is related to the license.

41.11 TAXICAB OR LIVERY DRIVER'S LICENSE.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a taxicab within the City and for the owner or person in control of such taxicab or livery to allow or permit such taxicab to be so driven at any time for hire, unless the driver of said taxicab or livery shall have first secured and have then in force a taxicab or livery driver's license issued under the provisions of this Chapter.

41.12 APPLICATION FOR TAXICAB OR LIVERY DRIVER'S LICENSE.

An application for a taxicab or livery driver's license shall be filed with the City Clerk on forms provided by the city. All applications upon submittal shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police. The application shall be in a form acceptable to the City Manager, shall be filed with verification under oath, and shall include:

a) The name, address and telephone number of the applicant;

b) The applicant's Social Security number,

c) The applicant's Illinois Driver's license number,

d) A listing of any traffic, ordinance or misdemeanor convictions (including cases on which a plea or
finding of guilty was entered in order to obtain court supervision) occurring within the past ten years and any felony convictions of any kind, at any time.

e) An affidavit stating the applicant is in good physical condition and shall not have any nervous, organic or functional condition or disease which is likely to interfere with the safe performance of his or her duties as a driver.

f) An affidavit stating that the applicant's driver's license has not been suspended or revoked within the previous ten (10) years.

g) The applicant’s written consent to the conduct of a background check by the City of DeKalb Police Department (or its assignee).

h) Fingerprinting and all other documentation or actions as shall be necessary to permit the conduct of a background check.

i) Such other documentation as the City Manager shall request.

The application fee for a taxicab or livery driver's license shall be established by the City Council from time to time, and shall be in an amount at least as much as required to cover the cost of the fingerprinting and background check.

Any change in the status of any information required to be reported on such license application (e.g. change in address, change in medical status, etc.) shall be reported to the Chief of Police within two business days of such change. Such change shall be a basis for termination, suspension or revocation of any taxicab or livery driver’s license then in effect.

41.13 POLICE INVESTIGATION OF APPLICANT—TRAFFIC AND POLICE RECORD.

The Police Department shall conduct an investigation of each applicant for a taxicab or livery driver's license and a report of such investigation and a copy of the traffic and police record of the applicant, if any, shall be attached to the application for the consideration of the City Manager.

41.14 CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION.

The City Manager shall, upon consideration of the application and the reports and certificate required to be attached thereto, approve or reject the application. If the application is rejected, the applicant may request a personal appearance before the City Council to offer evidence why his application should be reconsidered.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no party shall be eligible for the issuance of a taxicab or livery driver’s license if such party has:

a) Been convicted of an offense involving the unlawful use or possession of a weapon within the preceding ten years.

b) Been convicted of an offense involving the unlawful use or possession of any drug or narcotic within the preceding ten years.

c) Ever been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol, driving while intoxicated or impaired,
or any similar charge.

d) Ever been convicted of vehicular homicide or reckless driving.

e) Ever been convicted of any felony involving the unlawful use of a motor vehicle.

f) Had his/her license suspended within the past five years, or had his/her license suspended more than once in the past ten years.

g) Ever been convicted of a forcible felony, any crime identified in Article 10, 10A, or 11 of the Illinois Criminal Code of 1961, as amended from time to time, or convicted of vehicular endangerment, aggravated or heinous battery of any form, aggravated assault, a hate crime, any form of criminal sexual assault or sexual assault, any form of criminal abuse, child abandonment, any form of prostitution, pandering, pimping or solicitation of a prostitute, or any other criminal act which the City Manager determines, in his absolute and sole discretion, is incompatible with the need to protect the public health, welfare, safety and morals.

h) Been required to register, in any form, as a registered sex offender, sexual predator, or other similar sex-offender related status under applicable laws of the State of Illinois.

To the extent that the City may be required to disregard certain convictions based upon a Court Order that such conviction be expunged or sealed, the City shall honor such legal obligations.

Any holder of a taxicab or livery driver’s license who is convicted of any offense required to be disclosed under this Section 41.14 during the term of his or her taxicab or livery license shall be obligated to disclose such conviction to the Chief of Police within two business days; such conviction shall be a basis for the City to terminate, suspend or revoke a taxicab or livery driver’s license.

41.15 ISSUANCE OF TAXICAB OR LIVERY DRIVER'S LICENSE-DURATION-ANNUAL FEE.

Upon approval of an application for a taxicab or livery driver's license, the City Clerk shall issue a license to the applicant which shall bear the name, address, age, signature and photograph of the applicant (a photocopy of the applicant’s license appended to a City-issued form shall suffice).

Such license shall be in effect for the remainder of the taxicab or livery business license year. A license for every Taxicab or Livery business license year thereafter shall be issued upon the payment of a fee as determined by the City Council from time to time, unless the license for the preceding year has been revoked.

41.16 DISPLAY OF TAXICAB OR LIVERY DRIVER'S LICENSE.

Every driver licensed under this ordinance shall post his taxicab or livery driver's license in such a place as to be in full view of all passengers while such driver is operating a taxicab.

41.17 SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENSE.

The City Manager is hereby given the authority to suspend any driver's license or business license issued under this Chapter for a licensee’s failing or refusing to comply with the provisions of this Chapter, such suspension to last for a period of not more than thirty (30) days. The City Manager or Police is also given authority to revoke any taxicab or livery driver's license or business license for failure to comply with the
provisions of this Chapter. However, a license may not be revoked unless the licensee has received notice via a letter mailed to the address listed on the driver’s then-current license. The licensee shall have the opportunity to request a hearing regarding the proposed suspension or revocation, before the City Manager. Any decision of the City Manager to suspend or terminate a license may be appealed to the City Council, whose decision shall be final. Any such appeal of the City Manager’s determination must be filed in writing with the City Clerk within ten days of the City Manager’s issuance of a decision. During the term of any appeal or consideration of an appeal by the City Council, any temporary suspension of a license issued under this Ordinance shall remain in effect (even if for longer than thirty days).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City Manager may, at any time and without notice, order the temporary suspension of a license issued under this Ordinance based upon his determination that, under the circumstances, the emergency suspension of a license is necessary to protect the public health, safety, welfare or morals. Such emergency suspensions shall be in effect for no longer than ten business days. In the event of an emergency suspension, the City shall immediately undertake efforts to notify the licensee of the emergency suspension, and shall also issue a written notice to the licensee of the suspension and the opportunity to request a hearing in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

Further, a license may be suspended indefinitely, at any time, should any licensee become delinquent or overdue on any debt or obligation of any sort due to the City, whether or not such debt or obligation is related to the taxicab license. A license shall also be suspended indefinitely or revoked upon the conviction of any licensee for any of the disqualifying crimes identified in §41.14.

41.18 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.

Every driver licensed under this Chapter shall comply with all City, State and Federal laws. Failure to do so will justify the City Manager suspending or revoking a license.

41.19 VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE.

a) Prior to the use and operation of any vehicle under the provisions of this Chapter, the holder of the taxicab or livery business license covering such vehicle shall provide a certificate or statement signed by an ASE certified automotive mechanic that the vehicle has been inspected and determined to be in a safe operating condition.

b) In addition to the inspection provided for in (a) above, at such time as the holder of a taxicab or livery business license seeks to renew such license, he shall provide a certificate or statement signed by an ASE certified automotive mechanic, for each vehicle authorized under such license, that the vehicle has been inspected and determined to be in a safe operating condition.

c) Every vehicle operating under this Chapter shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

d) Every vehicle operated as a taxicab shall be equipped with a taximeter which has been inspected, tested and approved by, or under the supervision of the City Manager or his designee, unless such requirement is waived by the City Manager, subject to the imposition of such requirements as he shall deem appropriate in relation to such waiver (e.g. requirement of a City-approved rate card).

e) Every vehicle shall be subject to an inspection to confirm compliance with this Ordinance prior to the issuance of any taxicab or livery license. In addition, the City Manager, Chief of Police or their designee shall be authorized to demand the production of any licensed taxicab or livery at the Police Department, on not
less than 48 hours notice, for inspection at any time during the term of a license. Taxicabs or livery vehicles shall also be subject to inspection at any time when they are stopped for an alleged infraction or violation of applicable City Ordinance or state or federal statute. Application for and acceptance of a taxicab or livery license constitutes acceptance of these terms and waiver of any objection to a City inspection or search of a licensed taxicab or livery in accordance with the terms herein.

41.20 DESIGNATION OF TAXICABS.

Each taxicab shall bear on the outside of each rear door, in letters not less than two inches (2") in height, the name of the owners; and, in addition may bear an identifying design.

41.21 ESTABLISHMENT OF RATES FOR TAXICABS.

The applicant shall include as part of the application for a taxicab business license the proposed rate of fares for taxicab service. Such rates shall be subject to the approval of the City Manager.

Thereafter, the holder of a taxicab business license may, at the time a renewal application is filed, adjust the fares for taxicab service upon the approval of the City Manager.

Fares shall be expressed as an initial rate plus an additional rate for every mile or portion thereof.

Operators of livery vehicles shall establish rates by agreement with customers.

41.22 RATE CARD REQUIRED FOR TAXICABS.

Every taxicab operating under this Chapter shall have a rate card setting forth the authorized rates of fare displayed in such a place as to be in view of all passengers and the rates of fare shall also be posted on the rear taxi door or in a window, to be in view from the exterior of the taxi for all potential passengers.

41.23 RECEIPTS.

The driver of any taxicab or livery shall, upon demand by the passenger, render to such passenger a receipt for the amount charged, on which shall be the name of the owner, license number or motor number, amount of charges, date of transaction, place of origin, place of destination and the driver's signature.

41.24 REFUSAL OF PASSENGER TO PAY LEGAL FARE.

It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse to pay the legal fare of any of the vehicles mentioned in this Chapter after having hired the same, and it shall be unlawful for any person to hire any vehicle herein defined, with intent to defraud the person from who it is hired, of the value of such service.

41.25 SOLICITATION, ACCEPTANCE AND DISCHARGE OF PASSENGERS.

a) Solicitation of Passengers by driver. No driver shall solicit passengers for a taxicab or livery vehicle except when sitting in the driver's compartment of such taxicab or livery or while standing immediately adjacent to the curb side hereof. The driver of any taxicab or livery shall remain in the driver's compartment or immediately adjacent to his vehicle at all times, when such vehicle is on the public street and operating for hire, except that when necessary, a driver may be absent from his taxicab or livery for not more than ten (10)
consecutive minutes and, provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be held to prohibit any driver from alighting to the street or sidewalk for the purpose of assisting passengers in or out of such vehicle.

b) Prohibited Solicitation. No driver shall solicit patronage in a loud or annoying tone of voice or by sign or in any manner to annoy any person or obstruct the movement of any person, or follow any person for the purpose of soliciting patronage.

c) Receipt and Discharge of Passengers on Sidewalk only. Drivers of Taxicabs or livery vehicles shall not receive or discharge passengers in the roadway but shall pull up to the right-hand sidewalk as nearly as possible or, in the absence of a sidewalk to the extreme right-hand side of the road and there receive or discharge passengers, except upon one-way streets, where passengers may be discharged at either right or left-hand sidewalk, or side of the roadway in the absence of a sidewalk.

d) Solicitation of Other Common Carrier Passengers Prohibited. No driver, owner or operator shall solicit passengers at the terminal of any other common carrier, nor at any intermediate points along any established route of any other common carrier.

e) Restriction on Number of Passengers. No driver shall permit more persons to be carried in a taxicab or livery as passengers than the rated seating capacity of his taxicab as stated in the license for said vehicle issued by the City Clerk, nor in excess of the number of operational seatbelts within such vehicle. In addition, no driver shall permit children to ride within a taxicab or livery unless seated in an appropriate and lawful child safety seat or booster seat in full compliance with all applicable laws.

f) Refusal to Carry Orderly Passengers Prohibited. No driver shall refuse or neglect to carry any orderly person or persons, upon request, unless previously engaged or unable or forbidden by the provisions of this chapter to do so.

g) Prohibition of Drivers. It shall be a violation of this chapter for any driver of a taxicab or livery to solicit business for any hotel or to attempt to divert patronage from one hotel to another. Neither shall such driver solicit business for any house of ill repute. No taxicab driver shall engage in selling or delivery intoxicating liquors.

h) Each vehicle shall contain or have available for immediate use, a "child restraint system" as that term is defined in 625 ILCS 25/4 for use in transporting children four (4) years of age and younger.

41.26 TAXICAB SERVICE.

All persons engaged in the taxicab business in the City operating under the provisions of this Chapter shall render an overall service to the public desiring to use taxicabs. Holders of a Taxicab Business License shall maintain a central place of business and keep the same for the purpose of receiving calls and dispatching cabs. They shall answer all calls received by them for services inside the corporate limits of the City as soon as they can do so and if said services cannot be rendered within a reasonable time, they shall then notify the prospective passenger how long it will be before the said call can be answered and give the reason therefor. Any holder who shall refuse to accept a call anywhere in the corporate limits of the City at any time when such holder has available cabs; or who shall fail or refuse to give overall service, shall be deemed a violator of this Chapter and the license granted to such holder shall be revoked at the discretion of the City Manager.
41.27 MANIFESTS.

Every driver of a taxicab or livery shall maintain a daily manifest upon which are recorded all trips made each day, showing time and place of origin and destination of each trip and amount of fare and all such completed manifests shall be returned to the owner by the driver at the conclusion of his tour of duty. The forms for each manifest shall be furnished to the driver by the owner and shall be of a character approved by the City Manager or his designee.

Every holder of a Taxicab or Livery Business license shall retain and preserve all drivers' manifests in a safe place for at least the calendar year next preceding the current calendar year and said manifests shall be available for inspection by the City Manager or his designee.

41.28 HOLDER'S RECORDS AND REPORTS.

a) Every holder shall keep accurate records of receipts from operations, operating and other expenses, capital expenditures and such other operating information as may be required by the City Manager. Every holder shall maintain the records containing such information and other data required by this Chapter at a place readily accessible for examination by the City Manager or his designee.

b) Every holder shall submit reports of receipts, expenses and statistics of operation to the City Manager for each calendar year, in accordance with a uniform system prescribed by the City Manager. Said reports shall reach the City Manager on or before the first (1st) day of April, of the year following the calendar year for which such reports are prepared.

c) All accidents arising from or in connection with the operation of taxicabs shall be reported to the appropriate police department in accordance with the obligations applicable under Illinois law for the reporting of motor vehicle accidents. Additionally, within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of occurrence, a separate written report shall be made to the City Police Department in a form acceptable to said Department. Such report shall be required to include the name, address and contact information for every occupant of any vehicle involved in the accident, the name, address and contact information for any pedestrians, cyclists or other persons involved in the accident, a description of the nature of the accident, and a description of any damage to any vehicle or object, or injury to any person. Every holder shall thereafter provide such additional or supplementary information as shall be requested by the Department.

d) All such records maintained by any licensee shall be submitted to the City or City Police Department at any time, upon request, for review or investigation.

41.29 PENALTY.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be fined an amount not exceeding Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($750.00). Each separate day on which a Taxi or Livery is operated in violation of this Ordinance, and each separate fare charged for hire route driven by a Taxi or Livery on any given day in violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.