

TO: Mayor and Council
THRU: Ron Olson, City Manager
FROM: Jonathan Okray, Council Member At-Large
SUBJECT: Chapter 9, Article II, Division I, Section 29-161-192
Ground Transportation Services Other Than Taxicabs
DATE: 3/3/2017

Honorable Mayor and City Council,

A citizen of Harker Heights contacted me regarding the City of Killeen Application for Permit for Transportation Business. They identified the nature of business and service as ancillary to providing transportation, non-emergency health, not emergency, or transportation such as a taxicab or shuttle service.

We discussed these types of transportations as general and public transportation. However, the nature of transportation required for this type of business is linked to health and healthcare. They also provided information regarding pending approval to operate their services through the appropriate State regulatory agency. They expressed that the State agency's application process does not mention or require need for municipal permitting due to the nature service, part or parcel of the service is regulated according to guidelines contained in 42 CFR 455.

I believe discussion of Chapter 29, City of Killeen, Code of Ordinances is reasonable so that the chapter may be reviewed for efficiency, adherence, and appropriate relevancy of enforcement, according to the varying natures of public transportation, and so that ordinance may not serve as an impediment to healthcare and accessibility, business entrepreneurship and enterprise.

Thank you,
Jonathan L. Okray

Councilmember At-Large