



City of Killeen

Legislation Text

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Consider a memorandum/resolution granting an Operating Authority to Longhorn Taxi.

DATE: February 20, 2024

TO: Kent Cagle, City Manager

FROM: Laura Calcote, City Secretary

SUBJECT: Operating Authority Application from Longhorn Taxi

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Killeen Code of Ordinances, Chapter 29 - Transportation, provides the manner by which an operating authority is granted in order to promote adequate and efficient ground transportation within the city. Ground transportation service means providing chauffeured vehicle for hire for the transportation of passengers within the city, including but not limited to taxicabs, limousines, and shuttles. An operating authority means the written authority granted by the City Council to provide a ground transportation service. A person may not operate a ground transportation service within the city limits without first having obtained an operating authority from the city, which once issued, is valid for five (5) years. An applicant must file an application, fee and supporting documentation.

On January 17, 2024, Longhorn Taxi submitted an application, paid the required fee and supplied the proper supporting documents to be in compliance with Chapter 29 of the Code of Ordinances. The application is complete and provides for a transportation services from any established pick-up point in the City of Killeen. As indicated on the application, the company will operate a total of three (3) vehicles:

1. 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan with a seating capacity of 6
2. 2015 Chrysler Town & Country Van with a seating capacity of 6
3. 2011 Dodge Grand Caravan with a seating capacity of 6

Upon City Council approval of an operating authority, the City Secretary shall provide a vehicle permit to the holder for each vehicle approved in the operating authority. The window sticker permits expire annually on December 31st. A renewal application, along with the required fee, shall be submitted to the City Secretary to renew a vehicle permit each year.

THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

N/A

Which alternative is recommended? Why?

Staff recommends the City Council grant the operating authority to Longhorn Taxi, as the application requirements have been met.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This request conforms with the City of Killeen's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 29 - Transportation.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

What is the amount of the revenue/expenditure in the current fiscal year? For future years?

Current Fiscal Year 2024:

Vehicle Permits	3	\$125	each, annually
Airport Permits	3	\$50	each, annually
Operating Authority	1	\$300	once, every five (5) year
Total:		\$825	

Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028:

Vehicle Permits	3	\$125	each, annually
Airport Permits	3	\$50	each, annually
Total:		\$525	annually

Is this a one-time or recurring revenue/expenditure?

Recurring annually for vehicle and airport vehicle permits.
Recurring every five (5) years for operating authority.

Is this revenue/expenditure budgeted?

Yes, revenue is budgeted in the General Fund Taxi Franchise account 010-0000-318.02-05.

If not, where will the money come from?

N/A

Is there a sufficient amount in the budgeted line-item for this revenue/expenditure?

Yes

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve an Operating Authority to Longhorn Taxi.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Finance
Legal

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Application
Presentation