

ORDINANCE NO. 2210

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Sections 22-234, 22-240, 22-241 and 22-242, all of Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article XI thereof relates to LICENSE TAXES ON MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS, which Section 22-234 thereof relates to LICENSE TAX LEVIED, which Section 22-240 thereof relates to TAX ON VEHICLES NOT DESIGNED OR USED FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS, which Section 22-241 relates to TAX ON CERTAIN TRAILERS, and which Section 22-242 relates to COMBINATIONS OF TRACTOR-TRUCKS AND SEMI-TRAILERS.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-234, Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-234. License tax levied.

A license tax is hereby imposed for the period from the first day of May to the following thirtieth day of April for each year upon every motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer which is normally garaged, stored or parked within the city. Such license tax shall be at the rate set forth in sections 22-238 through 22-242, and shall be for the purpose of providing revenue for the general fund of the city except such portions thereof as are required by section 46-65.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to be allocated to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission. Nothing in this section shall be construed as imposing a license tax on any vehicle not required to be licensed by section 46.1-45 et seq., Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, any vehicle exempted by section 46.1-66, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, or any vehicle exempted by the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C.A., Appendix § 574.

Section 2. That Section 22-240, Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-240. Tax on vehicles not designed or used for transportation of passengers.

Except as hereinafter otherwise provided, the license tax to be paid by owners of all motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers not designed and used for the transportation of passengers shall be determined by the gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles of which it is a part, when loaded to the maximum capacity for which it is registered and licensed, according to the schedule herein set forth:

Gross Weight Groups (Pounds)	Fee
12,000 or less -----	\$17.00
12,001 - 15,000 -----	20.00
15,001 - 18,000 -----	25.00
18,001 - 20,000 -----	30.00
20,001 - 22,000 -----	35.00
22,001 - 24,000 -----	40.00
24,001 - 26,000 -----	45.00
26,001 - 40,000 -----	55.00
40,001 and up -----	70.00

Section 3. That Section 22-241, Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-241. Tax on certain trailers.

The fee for the certificate of registration and license plates to be paid to the director of finance by the owner of a one or two wheel trailer of a cradle, flat bed or open pickup type, with a body length of not more than nine feet and a width not greater than the width of the motor vehicle to which it is attached at any time of operation, to be attached to the owner's own motor vehicle and used only for carrying property belonging to the owner of such trailer, which is pulled or towed by a passenger car or station wagon, or a pickup or panel truck having an actual gross vehicle weight not exceeding five thousand pounds, and which is used for carrying property not exceeding one thousand pounds at any one time, or any trailer having a body length of not more than sixteen feet which is designed and used exclusively for carrying boats, shall be eight dollars and fifty cents. Nothing herein shall be construed as applying to the fees for trailers or semitrailers designed for use as living quarters for human beings, or to those trailers or semitrailers operated under lease or rental agreement, or operated for compensation.

Section 4. That Section 22-242, Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-242. Combinations of tractor-trucks and semi-trailers.

(a) In the case of a combination of a tractor-truck and a semi-trailer, each vehicle constituting a part of such combination shall be registered as a separate vehicle, and separate vehicle license plates shall be issued therefor, but, for the purpose of determining the gross weight group into which any such vehicle falls pursuant to section 22-240, the combination of vehicles of which such vehicle constitutes a part shall be considered a unit, and the aggregate gross weight of the entire combination shall determine such gross weight group. The tax for license plates for a semitrailer constituting a part of such combination shall be seventeen dollars.

(b) In determining the tax to be paid for the license plates for a tractor-truck constituting a part of such combination the tax shall be assessed at the total weight and the tax per thousand pounds applicable to the gross weight of the combination when loaded to the maximum capacity for which it is registered and licensed. However, there shall be no deduction from this tax for the tax of the semitrailer in the combination.

Section 5. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

FRANK E. MANN  
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: October 25, 1977