

ORDINANCE NO. 2904

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 9-12-59, Division 3, Article A, Chapter 12, Title 9 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended; which Title 9 relates to LICENSING AND REGULATION, which Chapter 12 relates to TAXICABS AND OTHER VEHICLES FOR HIRE, which Article A relates to TAXICABS AND FOR-HIRE VEHICLES and which Section 9-12-59 relates to TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PERMITS BY CHIEF OF POLICE.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 9-12-59, Division 3, Article A, Chapter 12, Title 9 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 9-12-59. Temporary suspension of permits by chief of police.

The chief of police shall have the power to suspend any driver's permit and the privileges thereby entailed for a period not to exceed five (5) days for any one (1) or more of the following causes:

- (1) transportation of a person who is not a bona fide passenger in a taxicab while on duty;
- (2) failure of or refusal to proceed with all reasonable dispatch by the shortest practical route to a destination requested by a passenger;
- (3) waiting for passengers or taking on additional passengers without the consent of a passenger already in the taxicab;
- (4) loitering or congregating with others in streets or sidewalks adjacent to a taxi stand;
- (5) refusal to transport any orderly person applying for transportation within the city when the taxicab has not been previously engaged by another;
- (6) failure, refusal or neglect to carry or record the entries in the manifest as required by this article;
- (7) failure, refusal or neglect to keep clean the taxicab he is driving;
- (8) failure, refusal or neglect to observe and comply with orders given by a police officer by sign or by word;

(9) failure to post and display the driver's permit as required by this division; and

(10) failure, refusal or neglect to notify the hack inspector in writing of a change in address or telephone number within the period specified by regulation, and each such period or part thereof shall constitute a separable basis for a suspension.

Section 2. 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.

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.
Mayor

Final Passage: February 25, 1984