



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Date: | February 28, 2011 |
| Agenda Item No. | 49 |
| Roll Call No. | <u>11-0335</u> |
| Communication No. | <u>11-107</u> |
| Submitted by: | Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer |

AGENDA HEADING:

Public hearing upon application of Joy Ride Transport LLC for License to increase the size of their fleet from three vehicles to six vehicles while operating a licensed Paratransit Taxicab Service in the City of Des Moines.

SYNOPSIS:

Bethany Cochran d/b/a Joy Ride Transport LLC, 1580 SE Bristol Drive, Waukee, Iowa, applied for a license to operate a paratransit taxicab service in the City of Des Moines, with a total of three vehicles, which was approved by Roll Call No. 10-1586, September 27, 2010. Joy Ride Transportation has requested an increase of their fleet size from three vehicles to six vehicles. Staff has reviewed the application and the liability insurance certificate and has determined that Joy Ride Transport LLC continues to meet the requirements for providing paratransit taxicab service.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: The ordinance provides for annual license fees of \$250 per company and \$75 per vehicle.

Funding Source: Revenue to Traffic and Transportation Division, Operating Budget, Traffic Engineering, ENG100419, p. 95 of FY 2010 Operating Budget.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Section 126-155 of the Municipal Code requires the following information to be included in the application for a License of Public Convenience and Necessity:

1. The name and address of the applicant and the owner of the paratransit service.
2. The trade or other name, if any, under which the applicant does business and proposes to do business.
3. The training and experience of the applicant in the transportation of wheelchair-bound persons.
4. A description of each paratransit taxicab, including the make, model, year of manufacture, motor and chassis number; current state license number; the length of time the paratransit taxicab has been in use; and the color scheme, insignia, name, monogram or other distinguishing characteristics to be used to designate the applicant's paratransit taxicab.

5. The location and description of the place from which it is intended to operate.
6. Other information as the traffic engineer shall deem reasonably necessary.

As required by ordinance, a public hearing must be held prior to any license being issued or reissued because of a request for an increase in fleet size. At their February 14, 2011 meeting the City Council set the Council meeting of February 28th, 2011 as the date for public hearing for Joy Ride Transport LLC.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 14, 2011

Roll Call Number: 11-0211

Action: [On](#) application from Joy Ride Transport LLC to increase the size of their paratransit taxicab service fleet from three to six vehicles, (2-28-11). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: September 27, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-1586

Action: (B) [Joy](#) Ride Transport LLC for Bethany Cochran, (Paratransit and Taxicab). ([Council Communication No. 10-576](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

Date: September 13, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-1461

Action: (B) [Joy](#) Ride Transport LLC for Bethany Cochran, (Paratransit Taxicab). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

For more information on this and other agenda items, please call the City Clerk's Office at 515-283-4209 or visit the Clerk's Office on the second floor of City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive. Council agendas are available to the public at the City Clerk's Office on Thursday afternoon preceding Monday's Council meeting. Citizens can also request to receive meeting notices and agendas by email by calling the Clerk's Office or sending their request via email to cityclerk@dmgov.org.