Resolution No.: 19-1146

Introduced: November 9, 2021
Adopted: January 25, 2022

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Reducing Taxicab Fees for Drivers, Passenger Vehicle License Holders and Fleet Operators

Background

- 1. Sections 53-107 and 53-206 of the County Code, as amended by Chapter 37 of the Laws of Montgomery County (Bill 37-05), authorize the Council to set, by resolution adopted after a public hearing, taxicab fees that the Director of the Department of Transportation must charge to administer Chapter 53 of the County Code.
- 2. Section 53-107(b) provides that the Council must not set fees that exceed the aggregate cost of administering Chapter 53, except as authorized by Section 53-206.
- 3. The County Executive has requested a decrease in certain taxicab fees to reduce barriers for entry for many Passenger Vehicle License holders and drivers and to reduce fees for fleet owners because fees in Montgomery County are currently higher than neighboring jurisdictions.
- 4. A robust taxicab industry is needed in Montgomery County to ensure continued service for vulnerable communities including the more than 5,500 individuals with limited income who are served by Montgomery County's Call-n-Ride program, as well as individuals who are disabled and travel via wheelchair accessible taxicabs.
- 5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held on November 30, 2021.
- 6. The Transportation and Environment Committee recommends approving the Executive's proposed fee schedule except to set the Passenger Vehicle License (PVL) renewal fee at \$50 and the fee for an individual placing a new taxicab PVL in service at \$0.

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Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Action:

The Director of the Department of Transportation must charge the taxicab fees described in Table I, attached to and made part of this resolution.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq., Clerk of the Council	2/3/2022
Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq., Clerk of the Council	Date

Marc Elrich, Montgomery County Executive Date

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Table I

I. Driver Identification Ca			
First-year applic	eation	[\$20]	<u>\$0</u>
New one year			\$50
Annual one-year	r renewal		\$75
Two-year renew	ral	[\$150]	<u>\$100</u>
Duplicate			\$25
[Test fee			\$20]
II. Passenger Vehicle Lice	nse (PVL)		
Renewal		[\$495]	<u>\$50</u>
Vehicle replaces	nent		\$75
Affiliate compar	ny transfer		\$150
Application for	individual PVL	[\$500]	<u>\$100</u>
New taxicab PV	L in service (individual)	[\$5,000]	<u>\$0</u>
New taxicab PV	L in service (fleet)	[\$2,500]	<u>\$0</u>
License Transfe	r		
1-4 PVLs			\$3,995/PVL
5-100 PLVs			\$10,000 +500/PVL
			over 4
101+ PVLs			\$58,000 + \$250/PVL over 100
Vehicle inspecti	on		\$50
Vehicle reinspec	etion		<u>\$50</u>
[Vehicle reinspe	ection 1st \$25]		

[Vehicle reinspection 2nd \$75]

[Vehicle reinspection 3rd \$150]