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**AN ORDINANCE  
of the  
CITY OF  
MINNEAPOLIS**

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**Amending Title 13, Chapter 341 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Taxicabs.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

**Section 1. That Section 341.720 of the above-entitled Ordinance be amended to read as follows:**

341.720. Mileage charges. The maximum rate of fare based upon mileage shall be as follows:

For each load of five (5) passengers, or less, for the first one-fifth ( 1/5) mile or fraction thereof . . . \$2.50

For each succeeding one-fifth ( 1/5) of a mile, or fraction thereof . . . ~~0.38~~ 0.47

A driver may require a five-dollar (\$5.00) minimum charge to employ any taxicab in Minneapolis. If a driver chooses to require a minimum fare, the minimum charge shall be displayed on both sides and the rear of each vehicle. In addition, such notice of minimum charge shall be posted inside in a manner clearly legible to passengers, nor shall any operator be barred from offering a discount to senior citizens whom have attained the age of sixty-five (65) years of age.

**Section 2. That Section 341.750 of the above-entitled Ordinance be amended to read as follows:**

341.750. Waiting time. Charges for waiting time shall be as follows: For each minute or fraction thereof, ~~thirty-five cents (\$0.35);~~ forty cents (\$0.40); waiting time shall include the time when the taxicab is not in motion, beginning with the time of arrival at the place to which it has been called, or the time consumed while it is standing at the direction of the passenger. No charge shall be made for the time lost on account of inefficiency of any taxicab or its operation or time consumed by premature response to a call.

**Section 3. That Section 341.775 of the above-entitled Ordinance be amended to read as follows:**

341.775.1. Taxicab fare rates shall be reviewed by the Director annually. The maximum meter fare amounts for mileage charges herein established shall be subject to an automatic annual adjustment effective each March first thereafter in a percentage equal to annual changes in the Midwest Region CPI-U (Consumer Price Index-Urban), Transportation Expenditure Category, for the period ending December thirty-first of the preceding calendar year. Notification of the annual adjustment to the taxicab meter rate shall be made to taxicab service company at least thirty (30) days prior to taking effect. ~~every twenty four (24) months in conjunction with the hearing required in section 341.270(a).~~

**Section 4. That Section 341.590 of the above-entitled Ordinance be amended to read as follows:**

(r) Every taxicab licensee shall permanently affix to either the back of the front seat passenger side headrest, or the back of the front seat passenger side, beginning no lower than three (3) inches from the top of the front seat of the taxicab, an information card made of a laminated material at least three (3) inches by five (5) inches in size in Braille. This information card will contain the name of the taxicab company, the cab number and the phone number of the office of licenses and consumer services. Also affixed to the back of either the front driver or front passenger seat headrest, or other location easily accessible to passengers, shall be a pamphlet holder suitable to store and display informational materials, passenger survey cards, or other materials as designated by the Director of Licenses and Consumer Services. Such pamphlet holder shall be designed to hold pamphlets or cards with a maximum width of four inches. Taxicab licensees must maintain a supply of customer information and comment cards for immediate passenger use at all times.

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