

**THE CITY OF FREDERICK  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

**RESOLUTION NO: 11-18**

**A RESOLUTION concerning**

**Taxicab Fare Rates**

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 23 of the Frederick City Code, the Board of Aldermen has the authority to regulate the fare rates applicable to all taxicab rides originating within The City of Frederick and terminating within Frederick County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has determined that fixed taxicab fare rates are important to ensure the fair and efficient operation of the taxicab industry within The City of Frederick; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has established, and from time to time amended, such taxicab fare rates, as most recently set forth in Resolution No. 05-26, adopted on July 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, since 2005, changes in the national economy and the local economy, including the marked increase in fuel prices, have resulted in lower profit margins for the City's taxicab industry; and

WHEREAS, the volume of business experienced by taxicab companies and drivers generally peaks between the hours of 12 a.m. and 4 a.m., and it may be challenging for the taxicab industry to ensure that there are sufficient taxicabs available to meet the demand during that time; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on August 4, 2011, the Taxicab Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Aldermen that fare rates incorporated into Resolution No. 05-26 be modified by increasing the "start rate" to \$2.80 and by imposing a \$ .50 surcharge for any trip originating between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m. each day; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen wishes to accept the recommendation of the Taxicab Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Aldermen hereby adopts new Taxicab Fare Rates as set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. 05-26 is hereby rescinded and is of no further force or effect.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.

WITNESS

Marsha R. Bowers

Randy McClement  
Randy McClement, Mayor

Reviewed and approved for legal sufficiency:

Shaunda A. Nichols  
Legal Department

## **FIXED TAXICAB RATES FOR THE CITY OF FREDERICK, MARYLAND**

**\*\*\*These rates apply to trips originating within The City of Frederick and terminating within Frederick County, Maryland.\*\*\***

- \$2.80 START RATE
- \$.10 PRICE INCREASE FOR EVERY 1/16 OF A MILE
- \$.10 PRICE INCREASE FOR EVERY 15 SECONDS UNDER 15 m.p.h.
- \$4.40 FOR THE FIRST MILE
- \$1.60 FOR EVERY MILE AFTER THAT BROKEN DOWN INTO 16 INCREMENTS OF \$ .10 EACH
- \$.50 SURCHARGE PER RIDE FOR RIDES ORIGINATING BETWEEN 12 A.M. AND 4 A.M.
- \$1.00 TO OPEN TRUNK
- \$1.50 SURCHARGE FOR EACH RIDER EXCEEDING THE FIRST FOR ALL FARES ORIGINATING AND TERMINATING AT THE SAME POINT
- NO CHARGE FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF TWO (2) YEARS WHEN ACCOMPANYING A PAYING FARE
- TAXICAB OPERATORS MAY:
  - CHARGE AN ADDITIONAL \$3.00 FOR TRIPS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS WHEN A SNOW EMERGENCY HAS BEEN DECLARED BY THE MAYOR; OR
  - DOUBLE THE FARE FOR TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS WHEN A SNOW EMERGENCY HAS BEEN DECLARED BY THE COUNTY OR STATE POLICE
- A RECEIPT SHALL BE RENDERED IF REQUESTED BY A PASSENGER
- PASSENGERS SHALL PAY WHAT IS IN THE FARE DISPLAY OF THE TAXICAB METER PLUS ANY APPLICABLE CHARGES LISTED ABOVE
- ANY TIPS OR GRATUITIES PAID SHALL BE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE PASSENGER
- DRIVERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE CHANGE EXCEEDING \$20.00

**\*\*\* THIS RATE CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED IN THE TAXICAB  
SO AS TO BE VISIBLE TO PASSENGERS  
AT ANY TIME DURING WHICH THE TAXICAB  
IS IN OPERATION FOR BUSINESS \*\*\***

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLIED WITH OR IF YOU HAVE ANY COMPLIMENTS OR COMPLAINTS REGARDING THE SERVICE YOU HAVE RECEIVED THEN CONTACT:

THE TAXICAB ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY  
C/O THE FREDERICK POLICE DEPARTMENT  
100 WEST PATRICK STREET  
FREDERICK, MARYLAND 21701