

CITY OF NEWPORT

ORDINANCE NO. 2219

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4.15 OF THE
NEWPORT MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO VEHICLES FOR HIRE
ADDING A NEW SECTION FOR TEMPORARY TAXICAB DRIVER PERMITS

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2023, the Newport City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2201, which repealed former Chapter 4.15, Taxicabs, and replaced it with current Chapter 4.15, Vehicles for Hire, and became effective on July 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2024, the City Council held a public hearing on adding a new section to Chapter 4.15 for temporary taxicab driver permits in order to address special community events, and determined emergency adoption of the ordinance was necessary with the 2024 Seafood and Wine Festival less than a month away.

THE CITY OF NEWPORT ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above findings are adopted in support of adding new Section 4.15.065 to Chapter 4.15 (Vehicles for Hire) of the Newport Municipal Code.

Section 2. Section 4.15.065 will read as follows:

4.15.065 Temporary Taxicab Driver Permit

- A. "Temporary Taxicab Driver Permit" means a permit issued to an operator for a special community event, such as the annual Seafood and Wine Festival. A temporary permit will be effective only for the special event for the particular year of the permit application from 12:01 A.M. on the first day of the event and ending at 11:59 P.M. the last day of the event.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to operate a temporary taxicab within the City without a temporary taxicab driver permit issued by the Police Chief upon receipt of a completed permit application and in accordance with the applicable driver, insurance, and operational requirements of this chapter, as set forth and adopted by the City Manager pursuant to the administrative authority provided in section 4.15.080(B) of this chapter. A temporary taxicab driver permit may be issued only if the applicable requirements are adopted and in effect.

Section 3 - Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on the date of adoption by the City Council for reasons noted in the above findings adopted in support of this ordinance.


Adopted by the Newport City Council on February 5, 2024.

Signed by the Mayor on February 5, 2024.



Jan Kaplan, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erik Glover, City Recorder