

# City of Corpus Christi Vehicle for Hire / Taxi Ordinance

Discover, Discuss & Decide Process



June 14<sup>th</sup> , 2016



# Timeline

---

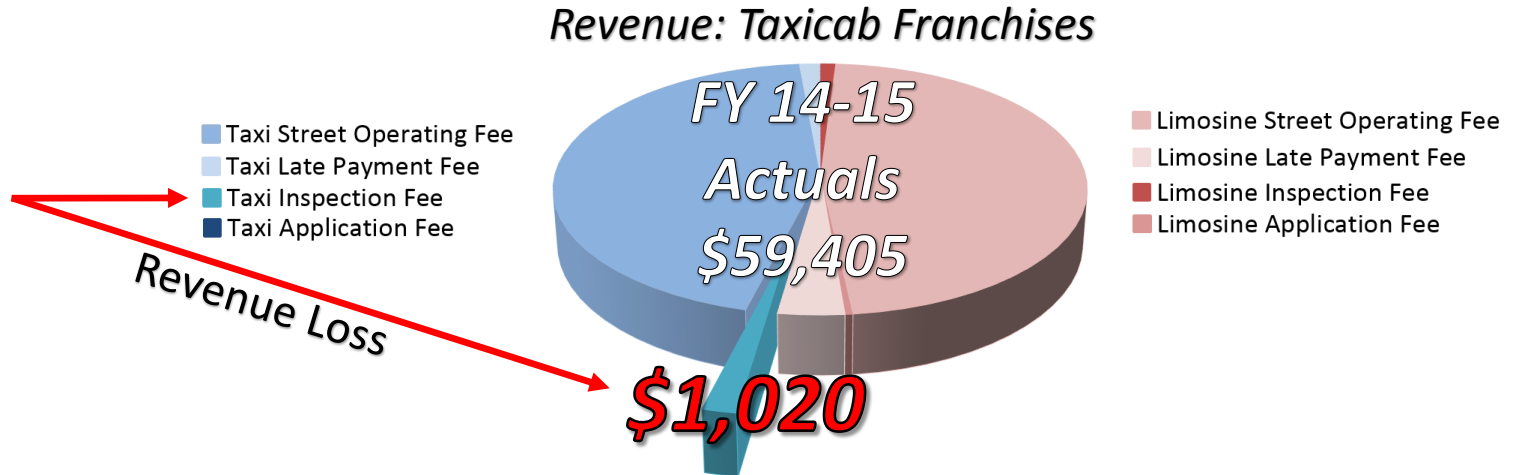
June	14	★ Council VFH Questions from 5.17.16 Comments from Taxi Cab Company Focus Group Comments from Airport Board Ch. 9 Chapter 9 Airport Vehicle for Hire Regulations Taxi Ordinance Clarification
	21	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading – Airport Ordinance Ch. 9 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading – Taxi Ordinance Ch. 57
July	12	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading – Airport Ordinance Ch. 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading – Taxi Ordinance Ch. 57



# Council Questions

## Council Questions: Costs associated with removing City Taxi Vehicle Inspections

The loss of **Taxi** Inspection Revenues are projected to total \$1,020 per year. That loss could likely be made up with the 2% gross from the TNC's. If the Taxi Inspector is no longer required to inspect vehicles, it is suggested that we add the wrecker companies into his area of responsibility, and change the position title to Vehicle for Hire Inspector. We currently have a Police Officer who handles the wrecker companies as an added responsibility.





# Discovery

---

## **Additional comments made by Taxi Companies**

The Taxi Companies recommended the following:

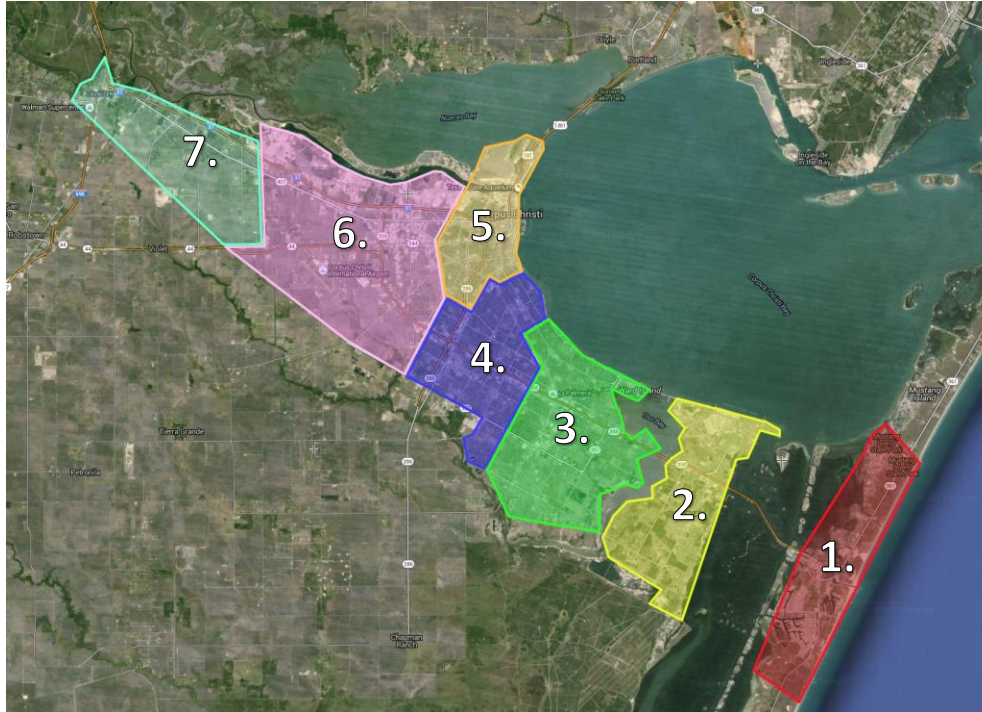
- Operating Fees – 2% gross is more than any Taxi Company currently pays to operate in Corpus Christi.
- Fare Rates – Taxi Companies discussed the idea of charging flat rates. The City Taxi Inspector created a map of potential city zones which would be reflected on a placard



# Discovery – Zones & Placard

## Flat Rate Zones

1. Island
2. Flour Bluff
3. Southside
4. Central
5. Downtown
6. Airport
7. Calallen



## Mock Placard

### RATES

Minimum Total Fare \$5  
Maximum Fare per Zone \$10

\$2.50 Initial Fare  
50¢ Per 1/5 Mile = \$2.50 each additional mile  
40¢ Per Minute Wait Time = \$24 per hour  
\$1.00 Per Additional Passenger over 2 person  
\$1.00 Late hour fee from 9 pm - 5 am  
\$10.00 Minimum to Calallen or the Island

Zones	
I Island	Padre Island / Access Rd 1
B Bluff	Flour Bluff Area
S South	Oso Bay / Everhart
C Central	Everhart / Old Brownsville Rd - Morgan
N North	Morgan / North Padre Island Dr.
WA West/Airport	North Padre Island / N. Clarkwood
CA Calallen	Calallen Area

**\*\*Additional stops subject to additional zone charges.  
Complaints About Our Service or Taxis please call 826-3558**



# Decide – Clarification Taxi Ordinance

## Chapter 57

	COMPANY			VEHICLE	
	Certificate of Operation Fee Sec.57-31	Certificate Term Sec.57-35	Street Rental Fee Sec.57-36	Vehicle Inspection Fee Sec.57-76	Vehicle Inspection Sec.57-80
<b>Initial Direction from Council</b>	None	1 Year	2%	None	None
<b>Clarification</b>	\$250	5 Years	\$100 per Car per Quarter	\$15.00	Required for both TNC & Taxi
<b><i>Final Direction</i></b>					



# Discovery

---

## **Comments Made by the Airport Board on May 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 Regarding Chapter 9**

The Airport Board is recommending the following:

- Taxi Cabs who operate in the commercial lane continue to pay the \$50 per month permit fee, or, pay the \$2 trip charge for un-permitted Taxi Cab's who use the commercial lane.
- TNC's who provide "pre-arranged" pick ups will also pay the \$2 per trip charge for use of the curbside.
- Board permit fee review after the first year of operation.



# Direction – Airport Taxi Ordinance

## Chapter 9

Airport						
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Compliance with Airport Regulations	Use/Operation Location	Permit / Agreement	Permit / Agreement Fees Required	Other	Other
Corpus Christi TNC 5.10.2016	Yes	Not Currently Established	Not Currently Established	Not Currently Established	na	na
Corpus Christi Chapter 9 3.28.2006	Yes	Commercial Lane	AVI or ABT Tag	Sec. 9-61 \$50 per month; \$2 per pickup	na	na
<i>Taxi Focus Group Recommendations</i>	<i>No Comment</i>	<i>commercial lane and curbside to be reserved for Taxi Cab Use only – TNCs in Parking Lot</i>	<i>Airport to issue all taxis an Automated Vehicle Identification (AVI) Tag to Replace paper permit</i>	<i>Airport permits fees to be reduced by 83% and paid on annual basis only</i>	<i>Airport to post a signs listing all City Taxi Cab phone numbers at no charge</i>	<i>Ability to Pay for Permits with Credit Card, or Online</i>
<i>Airport Board Recommendations</i>	Yes	<i>Commercial Lane: Permitted &amp; Un-Permitted Taxi 's</i> <i>Curbside: TNC</i>	<i>Taxi Vehicles Require Permit for Commercial Lane</i> <i>Un-Permitted Taxi Vehicles Rules for Commercial Lane Use</i> <i>TNC Curbside Use With Airport Agreement</i>	<i>Permitted Taxi – \$50 Monthly per Vehicle</i> <i>Unpermitted Taxi – \$2 per Pickup</i> <i>TNC – \$2 per Pickup</i>	<i>Board does not recommend the airport post signs listing taxi cab companies and phone numbers inside the terminal</i>	<i>Board recommends that Airport work toward setting up permit process on line: payment and hard copy permit</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Council Direction						





# Questions

---

## Questions for Staff Regarding Any Topics Covered?

### *Next Steps*

June	21	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading – Airport Ordinance Ch. 9 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading – Taxi Ordinance Ch. 57
July	12	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading – Airport Ordinance Ch. 9 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading – Taxi Ordinance Ch. 57