

# VEHICLES FOR HIRE



# Follow-Up

- Pedi-cabs will not be considered a “Vehicle for Hire” under the proposed definition. We would issue a BTR using a different category which would not require a background check nor a driving record.
- Horse Drawn Carriages would also not be considered a “Vehicle for Hire”. Our research has found that in many cities, such business would be permitted under a license agreement; much like we did for Lisa’s Kayaks
- Uber/Lyft is not anticipated to be regulated under the proposed ordinance. Florida League of Cities has been monitoring the progression of regulation and fully anticipates that the state legislature will pass new regulations this year that will preempt local codes.
- Vehicle Inspections are not required by St. Lucie County nor Port St. Lucie. If it is the desire of the Commission to implement an inspection requirement, we would need to do that through a subsequent ordinance or start over again with the ordinance currently under second reading.

# Application Process

- For each partner, associate, corporate officer, director, management personnel and driver, the following are required:
  - A certified copy of a criminal background investigation disclosing a record of all crimes (excluding traffic) of which the applicant has been convicted within five years preceding the date of the application. Apply directly to FDLE via mail. Forms provided - \$24.00 each.
  - A record of all vehicular and pedestrian accidents involving property damage and/or personal injury that the applicant has been directly involved in, which have occurred within five years of the date of the application, including an identification of all final judgments and/or criminal findings, along with any other pertinent information. Apply directly with St. Lucie Clerk, Central Cashier Department, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor - \$16.25 each.
  - A list of all motor carrier certificates, permits, or authorizations granted or denied to the applicant by a governmental entity within the preceding three years, and a list of all failures by the applicant to perform on a motor carrier contract, franchise, or license within six years preceding the date of application.
  - Two (2) current full-face passport type photographs.
  - Application for Vehicle for Hire
- Driver's License for all drivers.
- Valid Insurance as required.
- BTR Application with zoning and building approvals

# Insurance Requirements

- Taxicab. Not less than \$25,000.00 per person and \$50,000.00 per incident as to public liability, and property damage coverage in an amount not less than \$25,000.00.
- Limousine. Not less than \$50,000.00 per person and \$100,000.00 per incident as to public liability, and property damage coverage in an amount not less than \$50,000.00.
- Van. Not less than \$100,000.00 per person and \$300,000.00 per incident as to public liability, and property damage coverage in an amount not less than \$100,000.00.

# Background Requirements

- Any permit holder or applicant for a certificate shall meet all of the following requirements:
  - Be at least 18 years of age on the date of application.
  - Hold a valid state driver's license of the appropriate classification for the vehicle driven.
  - Have no conviction or plea of nolo contendere within the preceding five years to any of the following:
    - Any crime involving the sale or possession of controlled substances as defined in F.S. § 893.02.
    - Any crime defined by F.S. ch. 796, related to prostitution.
    - Any offense relating to driving under the influence of controlled substances or alcohol as set forth in F.S. § 316.193..
- Have no conviction, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere, to any criminal offense or felony involving the use of deadly weapons unless the civil rights of the applicant or certificate holder have been restored.
- Have no revocation or suspension within the preceding three years of a state driver's, chauffeur's or commercial driver's license.
- Have no more than two traffic infractions resulting in accidents in the preceding three years.
- Have no more than four convictions of moving traffic violations in the preceding eight years.



QUESTIONS?