

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-152

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

March 13, 2007

APPROVING THE CITY MANAGER'S PEDICAB RULES

BACKGROUND

- A. The City Council has adopted regulations pertaining to pedicabs.
- B. Section 5.94.260(G) of the ordinance allows the City Manager's Office to promulgate additional rules regarding pedicabs. That section also requires that these rules be adopted by City Council resolution.
- C. A draft of the City Manager's Pedicab Rules ("Rules") was considered by the City Council's Law and Legislation Committee on January 16, 2007. After consideration of, and giving suggested changes to, those Rules, the Committee approved the Rules and recommended that they be forwarded to the Mayor and City Council for adoption.
- D. The suggested changes were incorporated by staff into the Rules. The current proposed Rules are attached as Exhibit A.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Council finds and determines that the background statements A through D are true.
- Section 2. The City Council approves the City Manager's Pedicab Rules and directs the City Clerk to endorse on the City Manager's Pedicab Rules evidencing the date and adoption of this resolution.

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Exhibit A: City Manger's Pedicab Rules

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on March 13, 2007 by the following vote:

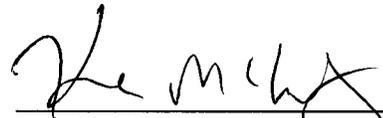
Ayes: Councilmembers, Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, and Waters.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Mayor Fargo.

Attest: 
Shirley Concolino, City Clerk


Kevin McCarty, Vice Mayor

City Manager's Pedicab Rules

The purpose of the City Manager's Pedicab Rules is to provide restrictions pertaining to the operation of pedicabs, as authorized by Sacramento City Code Section 5.94.260(G). All holders of a pedicab owner, driver, and/or vehicle permit must have a signed copy of these Rules on file with the Revenue Division.

Driver Conduct

While on duty as a pedicab driver, all drivers must:

- Act courteously and professionally, including refraining from soliciting business in an overly aggressive or abusive manner;
- Be neat and professional in dress and appearance. All pedicab drivers shall adhere to the following dress code:
 - Wear shirts with sleeves (e.g., no halter or tank tops). The shirt or other top shall identify the company for which the driver is working;
 - Wear hemmed pants or shorts (e.g., no cut-offs). Shorts must be of a length that extends at least to mid-thigh;
 - Wear close-toed shoes (e.g., no flip-flops or sandals); and
 - All clothing and footwear must be maintained in good condition and in a clean and hygienic manner and appearance.
- Take the most direct route to a passenger(s) destination, unless otherwise agreed to by the passenger(s);
- Agree to the fare with a passenger(s) prior to leaving for the passenger(s) destination;
- Make all reasonable efforts to ensure the safety of all occupants of the pedicab, as well as vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and to avoid accidents and collisions, including but not limited to:
 - Ensuring that all items transported in the pedicab are secured within the pedicab;
 - Not overloading the pedicab with passengers or other items; and
 - Carrying out a safety check of the pedicab, including inspecting the brakes, tires, steering, and lights, at the beginning of each shift.
- Refrain from smoking while driving the pedicab; and

Parking and Standing

- Pedicabs are allowed to park or stand, while waiting for passengers, in the following locations:
 - Along the K Street Mall between 7th and 12th Streets in the pedestrian zone between the sidewalk and the light rail operation area.
 - Along the Capitol Park sidewalks bounded by L, 10th, N and 15th Streets in the pedestrian zone between the sidewalk and the curb.

Passenger Pick Up and Drop Off

- Passenger pick up and drop off is allowed at any location that does not impede pedestrian or vehicular traffic, except those locations in Old Sacramento noted below.
- Restrictions in Old Sacramento
 - There shall be two designated pedicab stands:
 - 1) The northwestern corner of Front and L Streets; and
 - 2) The corner of 2nd and J Streets:
 - Pedicabs that are parked at these stands must be fully within the lines marking the stand.
 - Passenger pick-up is allowed *only* at these two designated pedicab stands, with the exception that passenger pick-up is allowed elsewhere in Old Sacramento *immediately* after dropping off a passenger(s) at a particular location. A pedicab driver may then immediately pick up a passenger(s) at that location.

Traveling

- The City Manager has the right to restrict the use of pedicabs on designated streets and areas during special events.
- Pedicabs are allowed on all streets and at all times, with the following exceptions:
 - AM peak hours: 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday:
 - J Street from 3rd to 16th streets
 - PM peak hours: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday:
 - I Street from 3rd to 16th streets
 - J Street from 3rd to 16th streets
 - 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday:
 - 16th Street from Broadway to the American River
 - All times and all days:
 - 12th Street from Richards Boulevard to K Street, except in the bicycle lane between North B and E streets

Pedestrianways (Sidewalks, etc.)

- Pedicabs must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on all sidewalks and pedestrianways on which pedicabs are allowed.
- Pedicabs are restricted to a speed limit of ten miles per hour on pedestrianways.
- Pedicabs are allowed on the following pedestrianways:
 - K Street between 2nd and 4th streets
 - 4th Street between J and L streets
 - K Street Mall sidewalks from 7th to 14th streets, outside of the RT operating areas
 - The 11th Street pedestrianway between J and L streets

- Capitol Park sidewalks as bounded by L, 10th, N, and 15th streets, and the L Street sidewalk between 9th and 10th streets
- The Sacramento River waterfront promenade
- Existing bike trails
- Pedicabs are not allowed on other sidewalks, including Old Sacramento boardwalks.

These restrictions are based on potential impact to traffic operations. There are not necessarily based on a judgment of safety. All restrictions shall be reviewed at the end of a one-year trial period.

To Be Signed by All Pedicab Owners and Drivers

I have read and understand these City Manager's Pedicab Rules and Chapter 5.94 of the Sacramento City Code regarding the regulation of pedicabs. I understand that these Rules will be periodically updated and that failure to comply with them or the Sacramento City Code may result in the suspension, modification or revocation of my pedicab owner permit and/or pedicab driver permit, as well as other enforcement as set forth in Sacramento City Code Section 5.94.350.

Name

Date

Signature

Permit type and number