

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF TAXI-CABS AND FIXING THE LOCATION OF TAXI-CAB STANDS IN THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, ILLINOIS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1. No public taxi-cab shall ply on the streets of the City without, first obtaining a license from the City Council. Such license shall be issued as of the fiscal year and shall be effective for such period of time unless sooner suspended or revoked by the City Council. Application for licenses for public taxi-cabs shall be made by the owner upon blank forms to be furnished by the City Collector and such application shall contain the full name of the owner, the class of the vehicle for which the license is desired, the length of time the vehicle has been in use, and the number of persons it is capable of carrying.

SECTION 2. No vehicle shall be licensed until it has been thoroughly and carefully inspected and examined by proper officers to be hereafter designated by the Council and found to be in thoroughly safe condition for the transportation of passengers; clean, fit, of good appearance and well painted and varnished. The Council shall make or have made by its deputies, officers or inspectors such examination and inspection before issuing a license. The Council shall refuse a license to, or, if already issued, revoke or suspend a license of any vehicle found to be unfit or unsuited for public patronage. It shall examine or have examined any taximeter attached to any vehicle and see that the same is accurate before issuing a license.

SECTION 3. If, upon inspection, a public taxi-cab is found to be of lawful construction and in proper condition, in accordance with the provisions of this article and the rules and regulations established hereunder, and upon payment of the license fees hereinafter set forth, the same shall be licensed by delivering to the owner a card of such size and form as may be prescribed by the City Council. The card shall contain the official license number of the taxi-cab, together with the date of inspection of the same and a statement to the effect that, in case of any complaint, the City Council shall be notified, giving the license number of the taxi-cab. Such card shall be signed by the City Collector and shall contain blank spaces upon which an entry shall be made of the date of every inspection of the vehicle by the inspector. License cards shall be of a distinctly different color for each year, and, in the case of public taxi-cabs driven by mechanical power, the license number assigned hereunder shall in each case be the same as that assigned to the vehicle for that year, pursuant to law. The Council, or a duly authorized subordinate shall also affix to a conspicuous and indispensable part of each public taxi-cab a small plate not exceeding 6 inches in diameter, which shall bear the license number of the vehicle. The design of such plates shall be changed annually.

SECTION 4. Every vehicle licensed under the provisions of this ordinance shall have the name of the owner only thereof plainly displayed in letters at least two inches in length upon a sign to be attached to the panel of the rear right door.

SECTION 5. The following license fees shall be paid: Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for the first cab and Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each additional cab, which license fees shall be in addition to any fees heretofore established. In the case of licenses issued on or after November 1st in each year hereafter one-half of the above fee shall be paid.

SECTION 6. The City Collector shall keep a register of the name of each person owning or operating a vehicle licensed under this article, together with the license number and the description, make, and necessary dimensions of such vehicle, with the date and complete record of inspections made of it. Such records shall be open to the inspection of the public at all reasonable times and shall be public records, extracts of which may be certified for use as evidence by the City Collector or one of his deputies.

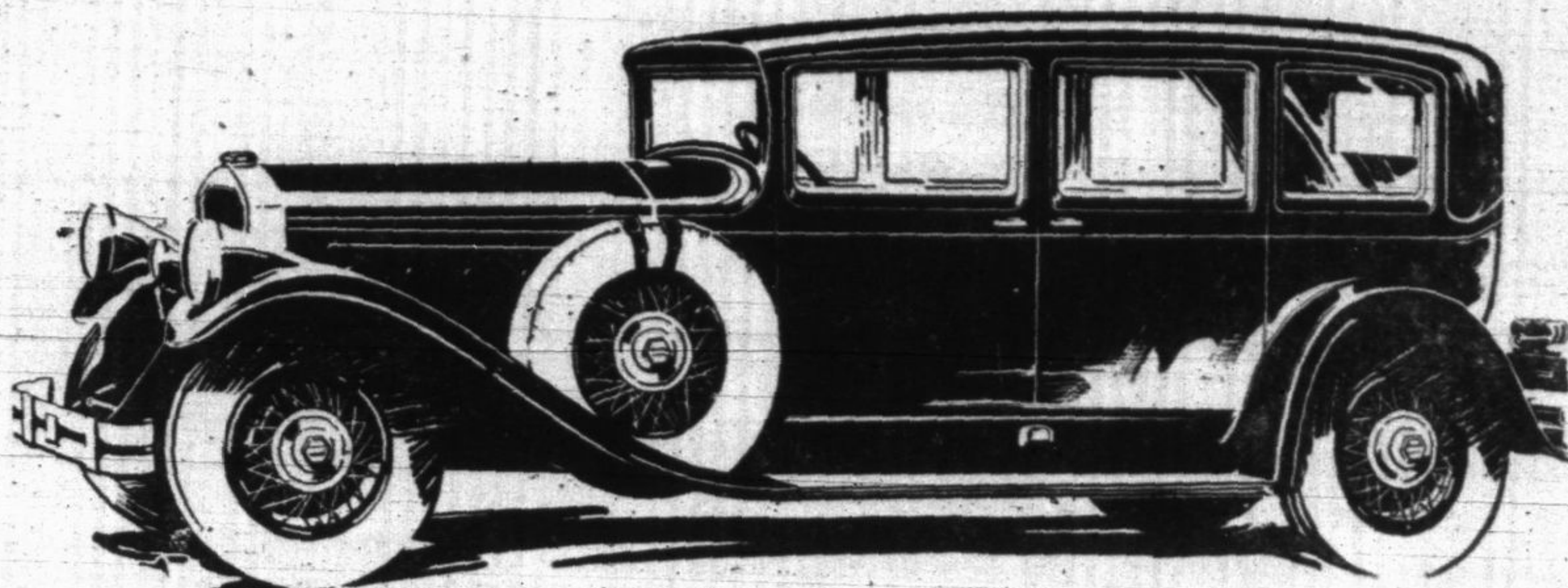
SECTION 7. The City Council shall maintain constant vigilance over all public taxi-cabs, see that they are kept in a condition of continued fitness for public use, and to this end the City Council, through its deputies and inspectors, shall inspect all public taxi-cabs from time to time, or on the complaint of any citizen, as often as may be necessary. Reports in writing of all inspections shall be promptly made to the City Council.

SECTION 8. Licenses granted under this ordinance may be revoked or suspended at any time by the City Council if the vehicle shall not be in good condition and appearance, clean and safe. Licenses when so suspended or revoked shall not be reissued until the vehicle and all its appurtenances shall be put in fit condition for use by the public to the satisfaction of the City Council.

SECTION 9. Every person driving a public taxicab must be licensed as such. Each applicant for a driver's license must —

- (a) Be of the age of 18 years or over.
- (b) Be of sound physique, with good eyesight, and not subject to any infirmity of body or mind which might render him unfit for the safe operation of a public taxi-cab.
- (c) Be able to read and write the English language.
- (d) Be clean in dress and person and not be addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors.
- (e) Produce on forms to be provided by the City Council affidavits of his good charac-

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