

*See AO 2011-105(S)* **ANCHORAGE, ALASKA**  
**AO No. 2011-105**

1 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION**  
2 **11.10.050 TO PROVIDE THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO**  
3 **ESTABLISH A FUEL SURCHARGE FOR TAXICAB SERVICE.**  
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6 **WHEREAS**, the price of gasoline is a significant and volatile out-of-pocket expense  
7 for taxicab chauffeurs in Anchorage; and  
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9 **WHEREAS**, through testimony, public hearing, and examination of successful  
10 implementation of fuel surcharges in place in other cities throughout the United  
11 States, the Anchorage Transportation Commission has determined a need exists for  
12 the authority to establish and implement a fuel surcharge for taxicab service; now,  
13 therefore,  
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15 **THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:**  
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17 **Section 1.** Anchorage Municipal Code section 11.10.050 is hereby amended to  
18 read as follows (*the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set*  
19 *out*):  
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21 **11.10.050 Anchorage Transportation Commission--Rates.**  
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23 A. By regulation, the Commission:

- 24 1. Shall establish maximum rates to be charged for taxicab service;  
25 2. May establish dispatch service rates;  
26 3. May establish rates for vehicles for hire;  
27 4. May establish minimum rates for limousine service; [AND]  
28 5. May establish maximum lease rates between permittees and  
29 lease operators of taxicab service, including daily lease rates for  
30 taxicab chauffeurs;[.] and  
31 6. May establish a fuel surcharge to be added to taxicab rates if  
32 the Commission finds that a fuel surcharge is warranted.

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36 (AO No. 57-75; AO No. 78-177; AO No. 79-58; AO No. 81-149; AO No. 84-18;  
37 AO No. 85-87; AO No. 87-8; AO No. 89-63; AO No. 89-97; AO No. 98-51(S), §  
38 1, 5-4-99)

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**Section 2.** This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government**

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 11.10.050 TO PROVIDE THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
 AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A FUEL SURCHARGE FOR TAXICAB  
 SERVICE.

Sponsor: Mayor  
 Preparing Agency: Transportation Inspection  
 Others Impacted: None

<b>CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:</b>		(In Thousands of Dollars)				
	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>						
1000 Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2000 Non-Labor	-	-	-	-	-	
3900 Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	
4000 Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
Add: 6000 Charges from Others	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Less: 7000 Charges to Others	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>FUNCTION COST:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>CAPITAL:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

None.

**PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

The taxicab-riding members of the public would pay more in taxicab fares during times of high fuel prices when the Anchorage Transportation Commission has determined implementation of a fuel surcharge for taxicab service is warranted.

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# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 561-2011

Meeting Date: October 11, 2011

1 **From: MAYOR**

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3 **Subject: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE**  
4 **SECTION 11.10.050 TO PROVIDE THE TRANSPORTATION**  
5 **COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A FUEL SURCHARGE**  
6 **FOR TAXICAB SERVICE.**  
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9 The purpose of this memorandum is to request Assembly approval of a revision to  
10 Anchorage Municipal Code section 11.10.050 to provide the Anchorage  
11 Transportation Commission the authority to establish a fuel surcharge to be added to  
12 taxicab rates if the Commission finds that a fuel surcharge is warranted.  
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14 A taxicab chauffeur in Anchorage is an independent contractor whose income is the  
15 difference between the accumulated fares received from taxicab customers and the  
16 costs the chauffeur pays to lease, wash, and fuel the taxicab. The taxicab chauffeur  
17 must absorb all fuel cost increases and, therefore, the Transportation Commission  
18 has determined that in times of dramatically rising fuel prices there is a need to  
19 provide relief to the taxicab chauffeurs. The ordinance amendment will grant the  
20 Commission authority to institute fuel surcharges for taxicab service based upon a  
21 fuel surcharge matrix to be established by the Commission and implemented as  
22 average fuel prices meet or exceed an established benchmark price for a preset  
23 period.  
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25 **THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE**  
26 **AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 11.10.050 TO PROVIDE**  
27 **THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A FUEL**  
28 **SURCHARGE FOR TAXICAB SERVICE.**  
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32 Concur: Cheryl Frasca, Director, OMB  
33 Concur: Lucinda Mahoney, CFO  
34 Concur: Dennis A. Wheeler, Municipal Attorney  
35 Concur: George J. Vakalis, Municipal Manager  
36 Respectfully submitted: Daniel A. Sullivan, Mayor  
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