ORDINANCE NO.	54-24
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 26-31 OF THE FORT SMITH MUNICIPAL CODE

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: Section 26-31 of the Fort Smith Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26-31. Condition of Vehicle and Annual Inspection.

No operator shall operate and no driver shall drive a taxicab which is in an unsanitary condition or is mechanically unsafe. Every operator shall have all of its taxicabs inspected annually to certify its taxicabs are sanitary and mechanically safe. Inspections shall be completed and attested to by an automobile mechanic within the city limits of Fort Smith who, at the time of inspection, holds a valid City of Fort Smith business license to conduct business as an auto repair mechanic. Only the official taxicab inspection form, approved by the Chief of Police and provided by the City of Fort Smith Police Department, may be used to document said inspection. On January 1st and no later than January 10th of each year, operators shall provide to the city administrator a copy of the annual inspection relative to each of its taxicabs. The city administrator, or his designated agent, is hereby authorized to order any operator and/or driver to immediately discontinue the use of any vehicle as a taxicab until specific, designated unsanitary conditions have been remediated and/or until an annual inspection certifying the vehicle is mechanically safe is provided by the operator. The provisions of the preceding sentence shall be in addition to any other penalty or remedy provided in this article.

SECTION 2: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed and approved this 4

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Aftorney Publish One Time