ORDINANCE NO. <u>46-22</u>

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 38-20 AND GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO JERRY BURNETT AND KYLE EMPSALL D/B/A PAYLESS TAXI, LLC TO OPERATE A TAXICAB SERVICE IN THE CITY OF FORT SMITH

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE

CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, THAT:

- **SECTION 1:** Section 3 of Ordinance No. 38-20 is hereby amended to extend the non-exclusive franchise previously granted to Jerry Burnett and Kyle Empsall d/b/a Payless Taxi, LLC for a period of five (5) years beginning on July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 2:** Jerry Burnett and Kyle Empsall are hereby required to maintain the necessary insurance and license, and to comply with all provisions for operation of said taxicab service in accordance with Chapter 26, Article II of the Fort Smith Municipal Code.
- **SECTION 3:** Three (3) copies of this ordinance have been on file in the Office of the City Clerk for inspection and review by the public prior to passage of this Ordinance.
- **SECTION 4:** It is hereby determined that the franchise authorized by this Ordinance is to provide for the transportation of residents, which includes elderly and handicapped citizens. Payless Taxi, LLC is the only taxicab service currently available to the city of Fort Smith; therefore, in order to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the city of Fort Smith and its inhabitants, an emergency is declared and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effective on July 1, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED this <u>21st</u> day of June, 2022.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney