

**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, NEW YORK
COMMON COUNCIL
RECORD OF VOTE**

THE FOLLOWING WAS PRESENTED

By Ald. Johnson

Sec'd by Ald. Kleiner

Date of Adoption 02-06-18

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NAMES	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ald. Ramkissoon	X			
Ald. Tobin	X			
Ald. Kleiner	X			
Ald. Johnson	X			
Ald. Jean-Francois	X			
Ald. Burr	X			
Ald. Green	X			
Ald. Masi	X			
Pres. Rodrigues	X			
TOTAL	9			

Whereas, Chapter 433: Taxicabs of the Code of the City of Middletown, New York regulates the licensing of taxicabs and taxicab drivers within the City of Middletown, and

Whereas, Section 433-13 restricts the types of vehicles that can be licensed as taxicabs to vehicles that are four-door sedans, four-door hatchbacks, four-door hybrid vehicles or station wagons, and

Whereas, the Common Council wants to allow the use of sport utility vehicles (also known as SUVs) and vans to be licensed as taxicabs, so long as prospective passengers are told that they will be picked up in a van or SUV and the passenger is willing to be picked up in such vehicle.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown that the first sentence of Section 433-13 (A) (1) is amended in part by replacing the words “No vehicle shall be licensed unless it is a four-door sedan, a four-door hatchback, a four-door hybrid vehicle or a station wagon and is insured by a public liability policy, written by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of New York ...” with the following:

“No vehicle shall be licensed unless it is a four-door sedan, a four-door hatchback, a four-door hybrid vehicle, a sport utility vehicle (SUV), a van or a

station wagon and is insured by a public liability policy, written by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of New York ...”.

Be it further resolved that a new Section 433-13 (A) (3) is added to read as follows:

“(3) No SUV or van will be used as a taxicab to pick up passengers unless and until any prospective passenger is advised that he or she will be picked up by a van or SUV and unless and until such passenger agrees to be picked up by a van or SUV.”

Be it further resolved that the first sentence of Section 433-13 (I) is amended by replacing the words “A vehicle larger than a four-door sedan, a four-door hatchback, a four-door hybrid vehicle or a station wagon may be licensed under this section if it is owned and operated by a lawfully authorized provider of transportation services pursuant to the provisions of 18 NYCRR 505.10” with the following:

“A vehicle larger than a four-door sedan, a four-door hatchback, a four-door hybrid vehicle, a sport utility vehicle (SUV), a van or a station wagon may be licensed under this section if it is owned and operated by a lawfully authorized provider of transportation services pursuant to the provisions of 18 NYCRR 505.10.”

Be it further resolved that this resolution takes effect immediately.