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**23-O-19**

**AN ORDINANCE**

**Amending City Code Section 10-8-1 "License Required"**

**NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1:** City Code Section 10-8-1, "License Required," of the Evanston City Code of 2012, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 8 – WHEEL TAX**

**10-8-1. License Required**

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to use, maintain, store for purposes other than sale, park or operate within the City any motor vehicle registered or required to be registered with the Illinois Secretary of State, to an address within the corporate limits of the City, unless such vehicle pays an annual fee outlined in Section 10-8-3 by September 30 for the following calendar year and therefore licensed with the City of Evanston as provided in this Chapter. In addition, vehicles not registered or required to be registered with the Secretary of State, as provided in the previous sentence, must be licensed as provided in this Chapter if the vehicle operator lives in an "Evanston resident only parking district" as described in Section 10-4-5-2(C) of this Title. All new residents of the City of Evanston must obtain a license pursuant to this Chapter within thirty (30) days of change of address.

A violation of the provisions of this Section shall take place when a motor vehicle registered or required to be registered with the Illinois Secretary of State to an Evanston address is not licensed within thirty (30) days the motor vehicle is required to be licensed under this Chapter, whether or not said vehicle is actually in operation on the streets or public ways of the City. Citations for a violation of this Section shall be considered in connection with the City's authority to immobilize motor vehicles per City Code Section 11-2-1.

(B) The deadline for annual license renewal will be due no later than September 30 of the renewal year. Citations may be issued for violations of Section 10-8-1(A) thirty-one (31) days after September 30 of the renewal year.

(C) The annual license is nonrefundable. If any portion of a license is unused, that portion will not be refunded to the purchaser.

#### **10-8-5. - TRANSFER OF LICENSE.**

Whenever the owner of any vehicle licensed under this Chapter shall, before the expiration of such license, make application to the City collector for the transfer of such license to any other vehicle under his/her ownership, he/she shall pay a fee of eight dollars (\$8.00) for such transfer, plus any additional fee for any change of the classification of the vehicle. In the event of a change of vehicle to be licensed, the licensee shall be required to make the transfer of the license within forty-eight (48) hours after such change. It shall be unlawful to transfer any license from one person to another.

Any person who is the owner of a motor vehicle on October 1 shall be required to have a wheel tax license for that year. All such licenses shall expire on September 30 following the date of issuance. In the event of new ownership, the new owner shall make application for a wheel tax license within twenty four (24) hours after acquiring a vehicle

#### **10-8-6. - ONE-HALF YEAR LICENSE FEES.**

One-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) year rates on all vehicle licenses shall apply to those owners who purchased or registered vehicles on or after March 1. No wheel tax license shall be issued to any owner for a one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) year period until such owner has received his/her license indicating registration of such vehicle with the Secretary of State and such wheel tax license shall be issued for such period as the state license has been issued. The license fee to be paid for a period of six (6) months or less annually to the City shall be as follows:

Motor vehicles used in the transportation of passengers and not for hire	\$43.00
Antique motor vehicles as defined in Subsection 10-8-3(A) of this Chapter	\$15.00
Automobile "dealer plates," each	\$43.00
Buses:	
School	\$43.00
Other	\$53.00
Recreation Vehicles:	
All recreational vehicles	\$48.00
Motorcycles	\$30.00

Taxicabs or livery cabs for hire	\$43.00
Trailers designed to be towed by passenger vehicles and as further defined in Subsection 10-8-3(A) of this Chapter	\$20.00

Motor trucks and tractor trailers as defined in Subsection 10-8-3(A) of this Chapter:

<u>Gross Weight Not To Exceed</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Fee</u>
8,000 pounds or less	B	\$58.00
8,001 — 12,000 pounds	D	\$75.00
12,001 — 16,000 pounds	F	\$88.00
16,001 — 24,000 pounds	H	\$103.00
24,001 — 28,000 pounds	J	\$105.00
28,001 — 32,000 pounds	K	\$108.00
32,001 — 41,000 pounds	N	\$118.00
41,001 — 45,000 pounds	P	\$125.00
45,001 — 50,000 pounds	R	\$133.00
50,001 — 59,000 pounds	S	\$140.00
59,001 — 64,000 pounds	T	\$145.00
64,001 — 73,280 pounds	V	\$153.00
73,281 — 77,000 pounds	X	\$160.00
77,001 — 80,000 pounds	Z	\$165.00

**SECTION 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3:** If any provision of this Ordinance 23-O-19 or application

thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

**SECTION 4:** Ordinance 23-O-19 shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval.

**SECTION 5:** The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

Introduced: April 22nd, 2019

Approved:

Adopted: May 13th, 2019

May 29, 2019

Stephen H. Hagerty  
Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Attest:



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