

RESOLUTION NO. 12-20

**RESOLUTION REPEALING WEST LAFAYETTE CITY CODE CHAPTER 24,
ARTICLE IV GOVERNING TAXICABS AND TAXICAB COMPANIES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code Section 36-9-2-4 the City of West Lafayette has the authority to regulate *vehicles for hire*, which include vehicles defined as “Taxicab(s)” as defined by Indiana State Code Section 8-2.1-17-16.

WHEREAS, the City of West Lafayette currently regulates Taxicabs pursuant to West Lafayette City Code CHAPTER 24 - ARTICLE IV. - TAXICABS;

WHEREAS, “Taxicab” has the same definition in the West Lafayette City Code as it does in Indiana State Code Section 8-2.1-17-16;

WHEREAS, the Indiana State Code and accompanying procedures adequately regulate Taxicabs in the City of West Lafayette and throughout the State of Indiana;

WHEREAS, the West Lafayette City Code CHAPTER 24 - ARTICLE IV- TAXICABS regarding the regulation of Taxicabs is redundant;

WHEREAS, the West Lafayette City Code does not regulate Transportation Network Companies, which include, but are not limited to UBER and LYFT;

WHEREAS, the Indiana State Code does regulate Transportation Network Companies, which include, but are not limited to UBER and LYFT;

WHEREAS, Taxicab companies are placed at a disadvantage by redundant and unnecessary procedures currently present in both the West Lafayette City Code and the Indiana State Code;

WHEREAS, the Citizens of the City of West Lafayette will not be adversely affected by repeal of the West Lafayette City Code Section CHAPTER 24 - ARTICLE IV. - TAXICABS as the Indiana State Code regulates Taxicabs by the same measure and manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West Lafayette that:

Section 1. The Common Council of the City of West Lafayette hereby repeals City of West Lafayette Code Sections CHAPTER 24 - ARTICLE IV. - TAXICABS regulating taxicabs and taxicab companies.

Section 2. This resolution shall be in effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of West Lafayette and execution by the Mayor. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Municode; they are directed to remove in its entirety CHAPTER 24 - ARTICLE IV. - TAXICABS from the West Lafayette City Code.

INTRODUCED ON FIRST READING ON THE 6 DAY OF July, 2020.

MOTION TO ADOPT MADE BY COUNCILOR DeBoer, AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR Thomas.

DULY RESOLVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA, ON THE 6 DAY OF July, 2020, HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A VOTE OF 9 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED, THE ROLL CALL VOTE BEING:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Blanco	✓			
Bunder	✓			
DeBoer	✓			
Kang	✓			
Leverenz	✓			
Parker	✓			
Sanders	✓			
Thomas	✓			
Wang	✓			


Peter Bunder, Presiding Officer

Attest:



Sana G. Booker, Clerk



PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON THE 7 DAY OF July, 2020.


Sana G. Booker, Clerk

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME ON THE 7 DAY OF July, 2020.


John R. Dennis, Mayor

Attest:


Sana G. Booker, Clerk

