

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA,  
AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES,  
ENTITLED "VEHICLES FOR HIRE", BY AMENDING  
ARTICLE I ENTITLED "IN GENERAL" AND BY  
AMENDING SECTION 78-4 ENTITLED "LIMOUSINES" TO  
INCLUDE NON-CDL LUXURY VANS; PROVIDING FOR  
SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF  
INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, historically the city's definition of limousines  
have centered around the concept of an automobile frame, and;

WHEREAS, a typical parking space in Key West does not exceed  
twenty feet in length, and;

WHEREAS, the City Commission for the City of Key West finds  
that updating the definition of limousines to include luxury vans  
that do not require a CDL to operate and that are less than twenty  
feet in length will update its ordinances with market demands for  
luxury vans, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF KEY WEST,  
FLORIDA:

Section 1: That Article I, Section 78-4 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows\*:

Sec. 78-4. - Limousines.

(a) For purposes of this chapter, the term "limousine" shall be defined as follows: a luxury chauffeur driven motor vehicle that is engaged for the exclusive use of the passenger(s), which provides seating accommodations for not more than twenty (20) passengers exclusive of the driver, not having a meter, not having business advertising on the exterior, rented or hired by appointment only in advance, rented on a time basis rather than a per-mile basis, and intended for limited use and special ceremonies, and not including ~~vans or~~ buses. Luxury vans shall be limited in length to twenty feet and not require a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) to operate. "Luxury" vehicle shall be defined as those recognized by the automotive industry and the manufacturer as such, including but not limited to Lincoln, Cadillac, Mercedes Benz, Rolls Royce, Bentley or other similar vehicles.

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\*(Coding: Added language is underlined; deleted language is ~~struck through~~ at first reading. Added language is double underlined and ~~double struck through~~ at second reading.)

(b) Limousines shall be exempt from requirements contained in the following sections: 78-62, 78-95(a)(5), 78-128(a)(3) and (5), 78-129(a)(2)-(6) and (13), 78-131, 78-161, 78-163 and 78-164. Otherwise, they shall be subject to all provisions of sections 78-1, 78-31, 78-32, 78-61 through 78-63, and divisions 3 and 4 of article II of this chapter.

(c) Operation of a vehicle meeting the definition of limousine set forth in subsection (a) of this section on other than a by-appointment-only, two-hours-in-advance basis shall constitute a violation of this chapter and shall subject the licensee to the penalties set forth in section 78-32.

(d) The passenger vehicle for hire vehicle license granted to a limousine will so designate on the face of the license.

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Read and passed on first reading at a regular meeting held  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Read and passed on final reading at a regular meeting held  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of  
the Commission on \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Filed with the Clerk \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Mayor Danise Henriquez \_\_\_\_\_

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Commissioner Donald "Donie" Lee \_\_\_\_\_

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DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK