

MOTION

In Los Angeles County, there is dual regulation of private ambulance and non-ambulatory passenger vehicles. The City issues permits under Chapter VII, Article I, Sections 71.00, 71.03 (b), 71.04.1 and 71.06.1 (c) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC). The Los Angeles County Code of Ordinances, Title 7 "Business Licenses" Chapter 7.16 also oversees the operation of these vehicles. This situation results in two bureaucratic processes that ambulance companies must undertake to operate a vitally-needed public service. It is critically important to review the existing dual regulatory structure to ensure that it is not duplicative, is not unduly burdensome for the industry, and provides the greatest amount of protection for residents. It is important that the City and County also work in close partnership and continually address ways to streamline rules and eliminate any inconsistencies.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation to report on the City's non-ambulatory passenger vehicles and private ambulance services permit process, including recommendations to streamline and/or transfer the existing licensing activities to the County as a way to eliminate redundancies and ease the regulatory burden for these businesses while ensuring that industry is appropriately regulated and the public is protected.

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