

What has changed in the substitute ordinance?

Chapter	Item	Subsection	Summary	Notes
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		Describes the involvement of the disabilities community in the 7 facilitated discussion led by Council Members Green and Stardig	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		8 Requires 2% of the VFH be composed of WAVs	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		Creates the Houston Transportation Accessibility Task Force to : 1)study the accessible transportation options in Houston 2) make recommendations to City Council concerning the number of WAVs in Houston 3) assess VFH response times for individuals with disabilities and minimum training requirements for drivers 4) provide recommendations to City Council concerning the accessibility plans submitted by permittees and registrants and 5) study and provide recommendations concerning the necessity and practicability of requiring a minimum percentage of WAVs for a company to receive a 9 permit or license	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		10 Instructs the Director of ARA to work with the task force to assess the necessity and practicability of requiring permittees and registrants to submit annual accessibility plans	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		11 Requires City Council to also consider any amendments to Chapter 46 offered by ARA	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		13 Requires the Director of ARA to report the findings of the task force to City Council between 6 months and 1 year after the effective date of the ordinance	
	Adopting 46 Ordinance		14 Requires the Director of ARA to make a general "look back" report to City Council about the state of the VFH market in Houston between 6 months and 2 years after the effective date of the ordinance	

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46		2	Requires VFH companies to provide individuals with disabilities with an equivalent class of service	A limousine service would not be allowed to simply provide a taxi or other VFH if a limousine was requested.
46		11 (b)(11)	Strikes the requirement to provide data on the number and type of a company's employees	
46		11 (d)	Allows a permittee or registrant to request a waiver to the data submissions requirements that are technologically unfeasible for them to report	
46		18	Requires all new taxis placed into service after January 1, 2015 to meet either accessibility or sustainability criteria	
46		24	Allows a stool light to display the word "taxi"	
46		26 (e)	Allows a taxi driver to charge the airport use fee back to the passenger	
46		27 (b)	Allows a taxi driver to charge the airport use fee back to the passenger	
46		67 (b)	Allows taxis to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		176 (b)	Allows pedicabs to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		176 (b)	Corrects a scrivener's error to require a pedicab to obtain general liability insurance	
46		207 (c)	Allows charter sightseeing vehicles to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		216	Corrects "license" to "permit"	
46		238	Allows limousines to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	

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46		292 (b)	Allows school vehicles to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		338 (b)	Allows jitneys to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		398 (b)	Allows low speed shuttles to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		508 (b)	Allows TNCs to use an eligible surplus lines insurer with a Best's Rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of at least Class VI	
46		511 (b)	Requires a TNC to transport passengers to all destinations located within the corporate limits of the City	
46		515 (a)	Requires the signage to be displayed at all times the vehicle is being operated as a transportation network vehicle	
46		515 (a)	Requires the signage to be visible at a distance of 50 feet regardless of lighting	
46		516 (a)(1)	Clarifies that a transportation network driver must have a valid Texas Driver License	
46		516 (g)	Requires that a TNC make the contact information of the customer service liaison available on both the app and the receipt	