

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Memphis City Council that the motor vehicle inspection process has become cumbersome and has placed an undue burden on the citizens of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, the process and burden on the citizens can be eased through the elimination of the vehicle safety equipment examination included with the inspection process; and

WHEREAS, the City of Memphis is only mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency to inspect the emission of pollutants from vehicles; and

WHEREAS, all other vehicle safety equipment violations can be monitored and cited by the Memphis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of the vehicle safety equipment will produce a cost-savings to the city as well as improve service delivery to Memphians; and

WHEREAS, the Administration is currently going through FY 2011 O&M Budget preparations and looking for ways to reduce costs without negatively impacting service delivery; and

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council would like the Administration to remove from the FY 2011 O&M Budget proposal any costs associated with the vehicle safety equipment examination portion of the inspection process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Memphis City Council requests the Administration and the Public Services & Neighborhood Director to not consider any costs associated with the vehicle safety equipment examination in the FY 2011 O&M Budget proposal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Memphis City Council will address through ordinance change any language in the current inspection ordinance requiring such examination by July 1, 2010 because it is the Council's intention to end all aspects of the inspection process except for emissions, exempt hybrid vehicles and cars under four years old from inspection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Memphis City Council requests the Administration to form a committee comprised of members of the community, Administration and a member of the Council to create a new Vehicle Inspection Ordinance to be presented no later than 45 days after the passing of this resolution.

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