

FORT LAUDERDALE

Transportation and Mobility Department

Memorandum #15-19

DATE: February 23, 2014

TO: Diana Alarcon, Director of Transportation and Mobility

FROM: Heslop Daley, Project Engineer

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Approval of Str84Word productions LLC (DBA Bumble

Bee Tours) to operate bicycles as non-motorized sight-seeing vehicles within

the City of Fort Lauderdale. (CAM 15-0174)

Bumble Bee tours has submitted an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to the City of Fort Lauderdale. Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM) staff has reviewed the application, based on the criteria identified in Sec. 26 Article V., Sec. 27 Article VI., and Sec. 27-213 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale. Also considered was Florida Statute 316.003 (2) and 316.2065.

Bumble Bee Tours intends to operate guided sight-seeing bicycle tours along the route outlined in the application. The route will begin and end at 1015 E Las Olas Blvd (The Archives).

Evaluation and Proposed Conditions

We have reviewed the applicant's permit application and recommend approval of the request for Bumble Tours to operate within the City's right-of-way, if the following conditions are met by the applicant:

- The tour will be authorized to operate only within the boundaries established on the route map included in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity application.
- The applicant, Bumble Bee Tours, will be responsible for keeping informed of special events dates and routes in advance of events. The City reserves the right to suspend vehicle operation during scheduled or unscheduled events, road closures or any circumstances that would require traffic mitigation.
- Tours shall abide by all relevant State, County and City regulations such as, but not limited to, the following:

F.S 316.2065(6)

Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway may not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles. Persons riding two abreast may not impede traffic when traveling at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing and shall ride within a single lane.

F.S 316.2065(7)

Every bicycle in use between sunset and sunrise shall be equipped with a lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and a lamp and reflector on the rear each exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 600 feet to the rear. A bicycle or its rider may be equipped with lights or reflectors in addition to those required by this section.

F.S 316.2065(10)

A person propelling a bicycle upon and along a sidewalk, or across a roadway upon and along a crosswalk, shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian.

F.S 316.2065(15)

- (a)A person may not knowingly rent or lease any bicycle to be ridden by a child who is under the age of 16 years unless:
 - 1. The child possesses a bicycle helmet; or
- 2. The lessor provides a bicycle helmet for the child to wear.
- (b) A violation of this subsection is a nonmoving violation, punishable as provided in s. 318.18.

TAM establishes these conditions to best mitigate the impact Bumble Bee Tours will have on vehicular and pedestrian traffic along the proposed route and within the City right-of-way for public safety.