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STATE COURT JUDGE AGREES WITH KENNER

Kenner, LA. – A state court judge on Tuesday denied a request by the local taxi union for a court order that Kenner enforce a city occupational license law against Uber drivers.

Judge Cornelius E. Regan of 24th Judicial District Court in Gretna denied the request by the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees, Local 234, after a hearing on Tuesday.

That decision effectively dismisses the taxi union's lawsuit against Kenner.

Kenner's attorneys explained that the city is enforcing its occupational license law with regard to Uber drivers in the same exact way that the law is enforced for any other business domiciled in the city. The taxi union claimed Kenner's ordinance favored Uber and Lyft drivers.

Mayor Ben Zahn thanked the judge and pledged to continue to work with both sides.

"Right now, my Administration is developing processes to implement the Council's new ordinance. I am grateful that the court seemed to understand that," said Zahn. We will continue to encourage the taxi drivers and the TNC drivers to work with us as we pursue a common sense approach to transportation options."

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