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Weston City Attorney: We Can Regulate Uber

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Weston City Attorney **Jamie Cole** says his city can regulate ride sharing services like Uber and Lyft despite any countywide laws.



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Here's the catch, says Cole: Weston can regulate the services *only* within the boundaries of the city.

In a letter to the Weston commission, Cole says that riding sharing could be allowed in other cities if those cities adopt an agreement or the same regulations as Weston.

This puts Cole at odds with an opinion from County Attorney **Joni Coffey**, who last week told Broward Mayor **Tim Ryan** that the county had the authority to "exclusively regulate" for-hire passenger vehicles.

This one could be headed to court.

Meanwhile, Uber says it is leaving Broward at the end of the month because of the County Commission's over-regulation.