

**METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION LICENSING COMMISSION**

Minutes

August 28, 2014

The Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Transportation Commission (TLC) met in regular session on this date at the Metropolitan Courthouse. Present were Chair Sal Hernandez, Vice Chair Tom Turner and Commissioners Pat McNally, Sam Patel, Rhonda Marko and Ben Jordon. (6). Also present were Metro Legal Advisers Theresa Costonis and Rachelle Gallimore-Scruggs along with TLC staff members Lisa Steelman, Millie Carman and Director Billy Fields.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a reading of the Notice of Appeal Statement which outlines the right of appeal for TLC decisions.

Minutes From Previous TLC Meeting

Commissioner Patel with a second from Commissioner McNally moved approval of the previous TLC meeting minutes with no changes.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0

Public Hearing

The Chair opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider TLC Taxicab Rule 7 (b) regarding minimum limits of liability insurance requirements, insurance ratings and rating agencies.

The following individuals spoke:

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| Council Lady Megan Barry | Michael Kizer | Jim Burrow |
| Doug Trimble | Bruce Giles | Khayr Ahmed |
| Habib Al Sawa | Angela Boyd | Cardena Domincan |
| Joseph Petrilli | Mohammed Diryie | Ditti Elmi |
| Peter Foley | Tadessa Essa | Beniham Hafe |
| Cheru Terefe | Nathan Spears | Devan Bhatt |

When all those wishing to speak were heard, the Chair closed the public hearing.

After some conversation as well as questions from the TLC, Commissioner Patel, with a second from Commissioner Marko, moved that insurance carriers rated A by Demotech be allowed to provide taxicab insurance coverage. After additional discussion, Commissioner Patel withdrew the motion.

Commissioner McNally, with a second from Commissioner Patel, moved to amend Taxicab Rule 7 B to read:

All licensed taxicabs must carry automobile liability insurance of 100-300-50, effective March 1, 2015. All licensed taxicabs must carry uninsured motorist coverage of 25-50-15. Vehicles liability insurance carriers must be licensed to do business in the state of Tennessee and must have an AM Best rating of B+ or better or a Demotech rating of A or better.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0

Other Vehicles for Hire

Review New Company Applications

Director Fields reported that all were in order, but asked that Tennessee National For Hire be heard separately. Commissioner McNally, with a second from Commissioner Patel, moved to approve Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the following companies:

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| AD Limousine Services | Reliable Black Car Service |
| Cumberland Limo | Roadrunner Limousine |
| Nani Limousine | Samuel RF Inc. |
| Nash Limo LLC | Wise Coaches Shuttles |

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0

Director Fields explained that Tennessee National for Hire is operated by a former taxicab driver and has received several citations from the Metropolitan Police for operating in the metropolitan area without a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a taxicab company. At present, the company operates outside Davidson County as a taxicab company. Director Fields explained that the company would not be able to use a toplight, meter or any other marking to appear to be a taxicab while operating under this certificate. He stated that it would be appropriate to approve the application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to operate as a livery service, but should be placed on probation for a period of time. Legal Adviser Theresa Costonis advised that the TLC did not have the authority to begin a company on a probationary period. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally, with a second from Commissioner Patel, moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0.

Kenneth Gaddy appeared to request a permit to be an other passenger for hire driver, but had failed to fully disclose his background. After some discussion, Commissioner Marko, with a second from Commissioner Jordon, moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0.

Consideration of whether to rescind action on the permit application denial for Jess Yafe was not taken since Mr. Yafe failed to appear.

WRECKERS

Nathaniel P. Storey appeared to request a permit to operate as a wrecker driver. Director Fields explained that Mr. Storey failed to appear at a previous TLC meeting. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally, with a second from commissioner Patel, moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0.

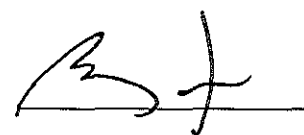
TAXICABS

Hassan Abu-Bakr appeared to request a permit to operate as a taxicab driver. Director Fields explained that he failed to fully disclose his background. After some discussion, commissioner Marko, with a second from Commissioner Patel, moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Motion approved 4-0.

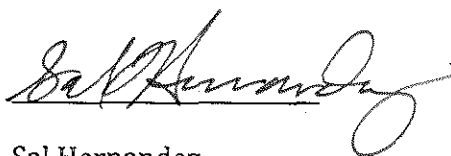
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

ATTEST:



Billy Fields
Director/Executive Secretary

APPROVED:



Sal Hernandez
Chair