

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

Minutes

May 26, 2016

The Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Transportation Commission (TLC) met in regular session on this date in the Jury Assembly Room of the Historic Courthouse. Present were Vice Chair Tom Turner and Commissioners Sam Patel, Pat McNally, Ben Jordan, and Rhonda Marko (5). Present were Metro Legal Adviser Theresa Costonis as well as TLC staff members Lisa Steelman and Billy Fields.

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. then led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a reading of the Notice of Appeal Statement which outlined the right of appeal for TLC decisions.

Commissioner Patel with a second from Commissioner Jordon moved to approve the previous meeting minutes.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Public Hearing

The Vice Chair called the public hearing to order to consider rules related to the types of shoes carriage horses are required to wear. Ms. Costonis described the TLC's authority related to rule-making. The following individuals spoke:

Gary Blackburn
Johnny Smith
Dr. Mark Brannon

Sara Beth Williams
Melody Robinson
Shannon Carner (by telephone)

The Vice Chair closed the public hearing. Director Fields explained that he believed there was considerable damage being done to the streets by the steel horse shoes on the horses and presented a memorandum from Don Reid, paving manager for Metro Public Works. After some discussion, Commissioner Marko with a second from Commissioner Jordon moved to allow the carriage company owners to determine the type of shoes to be used for the horses and make it consistent with the current ordinance.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Director Fields asked that the "Other Business" section of the agenda be considered at this time. Director Fields then explained that when American Melody Carriages was awarded a certificate of Convenience and Necessity to operate a horse drawn carriage company, additional clarification as needed regarding all days of operation. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to allow American Melody carriages to operate any day with reservations, but could only load from areas authorized for passenger loading other than carriage stands.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to allow American Melody Carriages to operate adjacent weekends (Friday through Sunday) to Valentine's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Pedal Vehicles

Director Fields advised that TLC that Public Works has requested a traffic study include the impact of the regulated vehicles in the Downtown/Gulch area, but was not certain when it would be complete.

Wreckers

Samuel L. Spain requested a permit to operate a wrecker, but was not present. Commissioner Jordon with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to disapprove.

ACTION: Passed 4-0

Other Passenger Vehicles for Hire

The following companies requested permission to operate an OPVH Company:

A Cut Above Limousine Service
Black Castle Car Service

Cashville Limo
My Chauffeur of Nashville

Commissioner Patel with a second from Commissioner Jordon moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Jember Mulugeta requested a permit to operate an OPVH vehicle, but failed to fully disclose. Commissioner Marko with a second from Commissioner Jordon moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Maria Rivera requested a permit to operate an OPVH vehicle, but failed to fully disclose. Commissioner Patel with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Hudson F. Alvarez requested a permit to operate an OPVH vehicle, but failed to fully disclose. Commissioner Patel with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Billy Fields
Director/Executive Secretary

Tom Turner
Vice Chair