

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

**Minutes**

**August 25, 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 Chairman Sal Hernandez, Vice Chair Tom Turner and Commissioners Freddie Carr, Sam Patel, Pat McNally Rhonda Marko and Curt Wallen (7). Also present were Metro Legal Adviser Tara Ladd as well as TLC staff members Lisa Steelman and Billy Fields.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:33 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 McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to approve the previous meeting minutes.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

**Public Hearings**

The Chair opened a public hearing to consider the transfer of American Music City Taxi from Johnny White to Akrem Hassan. No one spoke and the hearing was closed. Commissioner Marko with a second from Vice Chair Turner moved to approve the transfer.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

The Chair opened a public hearing to consider applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Low Speed Vehicles (LSVs) and additional Vehicles from Cooling Running (a new certificate with four LSVs) and Joyride (24 additional LSVs). The following individuals spoke Solomon Tadelles, Jim Burrow, John Murphey, Tadessa Essa, Abraham Derbo, Corey Patrick and Ebenezer Mulageta and the chair closed the hearing. Director Fields advised the TLC that the traffic city which has been requested is not yet complete, but should be complete prior to the October meeting. After additional discussion, Vice Chair Turner with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to defer consideration or action until the October, 2016 meeting.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

The Chair opened a public hearing to consider applications of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for pedicabs for Nashville Pedicab LLC (7 additional vehicles) Event Center Rides (new Certificate with 1 vehicle), Middle Tennessee Bike Taxi (new Certificate with one vehicle) and Pedal Chariots LLC (New Certificate and 10 vehicles). The following individuals spoke Patrick Lynch, Dustin Olson, Kristen White and Shawn Orphey spoke on the issue of pedicabs. The following individuals spoke on the issue of pedal carriages: Susan Pizzatola, Brett Vick, Patrick Lynch, Kimberly Smith, Justin Akerman, Jim Hill, Brian Gleason and Angie Gleason. The Chair closed the public hearing. After some discussion, Vice Chair Turner with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to defer consideration or action on pedal vehicles until the October meeting.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

A discussion followed regarding the application period for pedal carriages. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Vice Chair Turner moved to reopen the application period for pedal carriages until noon on Friday, Sept. 2.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The Chair opened the public hearing to consider a request from American Melody Carriages to allow horse to operate without shoeing which would require an amendment to 12.54 of the Metropolitan Code of Law. Ed Hiland and Melody Robinson spoke. The chair closed the public hearing. After some discussion, commissioner McNally with a second from commissioner Marko moved to recommend to the Metropolitan Council an amendment to 12.54 which would allow horses to operate without horse shoes as well as the use of synthetic shoes in addition to varieties already mentioned.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

### Other Passenger Vehicles For Hire

The following companies applied to operate an OPVH company including El Botros Limo, Street Limo LLC (with driver permit for Deon Smith) and Total Transfer LLC. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Jimmie M Anderson applied for an OPVH driver permit but was not present for a second time. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to deny.

ACTION: Disapproved 5-0

Eddie L. Lytle applied for an OPVH driver permit but was not present for a second time. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to deny.

ACTION: Disapproved 5-0

John P. McCoy applied for an OPVH driver permit. Commissioner McNally with a second from Vice Chair Turner moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

### Low Speed Vehicles

Matthew V. Grow applied for a permit to drive a LSV. Averted some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to defer considered until February, 2017.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

### Wrecker and Towing Services

JDs Wrecker appeared to request a license to operate as a general wrecker service along with a driver request from Jonathon L. DeWolf. Director Fields explained that this company has operated with a permit and had received a complaint while he suggested that if approved should come into service on a probationary period. Commissioner McNally with a send from Commissioner Marko moved to approve the applications and place the company on a six month probationary period.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

James M. Howse appeared to request a permit to drive a wrecker. After some discussion, commissioner McNally moved with a second from Commissioner Wallen to conditionally approve the application and ask Smith's Wrecker Service to do a pre-work drug screen then do a random drug screen monthly for one year providing the TLC staff with the results.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Scott A. Raney appeared to request a permit to drive a wrecker. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Marko moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

### Other Business

Director Fields reported that Pink Cab has a new business address, but no action was necessary.

Director Fields asked the TLC to establish either Nov. 17 or Dec. 8 as the annual meeting to consider horse drawn carriages applications. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to set Nov. 17 as the annual meeting to consider applications.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Billy Fields  
Interim Director/Executive Secretary

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Sal Hernandez  
Chairman