

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

Minutes

March 30, 2017

The Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Transportation Licensing Commission (TLC) met in regular session on this date in the Jury Assembly Room of the Historic Courthouse. Present were Vice Chairman Chair Tom Turner and Commissioners Mona Lisa Warren, Curt Wallen, Freddie Carr and Pat McNally (5). Present were Metro Legal Advisers Theresa Costonis and Tara Ladd 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 Wallen with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve the previous meeting minutes.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Director Fields shared the Tennessee Foreign Language Institute's (TFLI) plan to provide additional TaxiPro Classes for new taxicab drivers. He explained the the TFLI will offer additional educational opportunities for \$700 per class if any of the companies choose to sponsor a class. This would provide new taxicab drivers an additional opportunity to attend class. The regular student fees will still be required. This company-sponsored class would be in addition to the class already offered monthly. No TLC action was required because the ordinance and rules already provide for a scenario such as this.

Low Speed Vehicles

Director Fields presented a complaint filed against Joy Ride by Michael Winters (Cruzzin') and Terry Ebenstien (Hee Hawlin'). Metro Legal Adviser Theresa Costonis offered her insight into her review of the complaint suggesting that TLC defer action on the complaint until it is reviewed by other enforcement agencies or tribunals. The TLC agreed to allow the complainants to speak. Mr. Winters and Mr. Ebenstein both shared the reasons for the complaint regarding what they believed to be inappropriate and deceptive practices with respect the use of the internet, domain names and websites. Chris Sizemore, Joy Ride, explained that Joy Ride Company, does not own any of the domain names, but his personally-owned company (not related to Joy Ride) actually owns them. After some discussion, Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to defer action indefinitely until other agencies or tribunals have taken action on these complaints.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Ellen Lehman, President of the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, reported that the domain names for Now Playing Nashville, a program of the CFMT, had been relinquished by Mr. Sizemore to the CFMT for its use.

Pedal Vehicles

Rachel M. Pizzatola applied for a permit to operate a pedal vehicle, but failed to fully disclose, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Taxicabs

Mesfin M. Lombebo applied to be a taxicab river, but failed to fully disclose his background. Commissioner Wallen, with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Other Passenger Vehicles for Hire

The following companies applied to operate as an OPVH:

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| A Star | Exclusive Transportation LLC |
| Bella Limo | Sublime Transportation |

Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to approve each application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

The following OPVH companies requested changes to their application:

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| AJ Limo | address change |
| Executive Transportation of Nashville | address change |
| 808 Transportation | address change and adding a partner |
| Street Tread Limo | adding a partner |

Commissioner Wallen with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve each requested change.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Jamie D. Derrick applied to be an OPVH driver, but failed to fully disclose. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Wallen moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Timothy A. Schultz applied to be an OPVH driver, but failed to fully disclose. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Warren moved to approve.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Harold W Shaw applied to be an OPVH driver, but Director Fields explained that he may not be eligible. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Warren moved to deny the application based on the Metropolitan Code of Law section 6.74.120.

ACTION: Denied 4-0

Wrecker and Towing Service's

Justin A. Hart applied to be a driver. After some discussion, Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner Warren moved to conditionally approve the application, but an employer must be identified prior to issuance.

ACTION: Conditionally Approved 4-0

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Billy Fields
Director/Executive Secretary

Tom Turner
Vice Chair

Date