#### TRANSPORTATION LICENSING COMMISSION

#### Minutes

## May 24, 2018

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 Chair Sal Hernandez, Commissioners Pat McNally, Freddie Carr, Sarah Lingo and Jessica Powell. (5) Present was Metro Legal Advisers Tara Ladd and Theresa Costonis as well as TLC staff members Lisa Steelman and Billy Fields.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. then led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a reading of the Notice of Appeal Statement which outlined the right of appeal of TLC decisions.

Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner McNally moved approval of the previous meeting minutes.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

The Chair recognized the passing of Brandy Dismang, a staff member at the TLC office. He said Miss Dismang had worked at Checker Cab and NashVegas Cab as the manager and said she would be missed.

## Wreckers and Towing Services

Mikey's Towing with owner Mike Coulman, appeared requesting permission to provide non-consent towing services. Director Fields explained the rule regarding this request. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Lingo moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

Zarko Novakovic applied to be a wrecker driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

Robert L. McSpadden applied to be a wrecker driver, but deferred from the April meeting. He was not present. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Lingo moved to deny the application.

ACTION: Approved 3-0

## Low Speed Vehicles

Joyride and Cruzzin' low speed vehicle operators requested permission to operate during the 4-6 p.m. "rush hour" time period. Metropolitan Police Sgt. John Bourke was present to respond to concerns. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commission Carr moved to lift the 4-6 p.m. restrictions beginning on June 4 until June 10 and restitutions would be reinstated on June 11.

ACTION: Approved 3-0.

Director Fields shared concerns regarding pedal vehicle operations. The TLC asked if he would restrict the pedal vehicles to operations to the west of Eight Avenue and Rosa Parks Blvd. during this period.

Clay W. Evans applied to be a LSV driver, deferred from the April meeting, but was not present. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Lingo moved to deny the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Charles Jeter applied to be a LSV driver. Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve and require the applicant to attend a class chosen by TLC staff and return in June for an up-date to the TLC.

ACTION: Approved 3-0-1

Jeremy R. Kirkwood applied to be an LSV driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

## **Other Passenger Vehicles For Hire**

James T. Hartz applied to be an OPVH driver Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner McNally moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Kwendra D. Howse applied to be an OPVH driver. Commissioner Carr with a second from Commissioner Lingo moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Kevin L. Lucas applied to be an OPVH driver. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Powell moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Jesse C. Smith applied to be an OPVH driver. Commissioner Powell with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

The following Companies applied to operate as an OPVH company:

Affey Limo Ed Limo Angelo's Limo Service AZ and B Affordable Limo Service EZ Livery Mesfun Limo Pinnacle Star Limo

Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to approve each applicant.

# **Disciplinary Issues**

James Bradford filed a complaint against taxi Driver Tariku Yirga, however, a telephone conference failed due to technical errors. Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Lingo moved to defer the complaint hearing until June.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Hervie Edwards filed a complaint against Taxi Driver Mohammed Naser. Mr. Edwards shared his account and provided a video fo the incident. Mr. Naser as well as Yellow Cab Manager Doug Trimble responded to the complaint. After some discussion, Commissioner Powell with a second form Commissioner Lingo moved to find there was a violation of TCL 6.72.430, but take no further action.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Emmit Martin filed a complaint against Joyride LSVs for overloading. After some discussion, Commissioner McNally with a second from Commissioner Carr moved to defer additional action until the June meeting and ask the driver of the LSV to be present.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

## **Other Business**

Director Fields reported that Music City Touring (low speed vehicles) was subject to disciplinary action at the March meeting but failed to pay the assigned fine within the framework (30 days) established by the TLC and has not provided proof of insurance. The TLC will consider this at the May meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Billy Fields Director/Executive Secretary Sal Hernandez <sub>Chair</sub> Date