NEW YORK CITY
TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Minutes of Commission Meeting

February 21, 2013

Present:

David Yassky, Commissioner/Chair
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Iris Weinshall, Commissioner
Nora Marino, Commissioner
Frank Carone, Commissioner
Elias Arout, Commissioner
Meera Joshi, General Counsel

1. A motion was made at 9:15 a.m. to enter into executive session to consider an appeal of a discretionary license revocation in the case of TLC v. Sidikiba Diallo and to discuss current and pending litigation, including Black Car Association v. New York and MTBOT v. New York. Chairman Yassky and Commissioners Carone, Gonzalez, Arout, and Weinshall were present for the vote. The motion passed unanimously and the Commission entered into executive session.

2. The Commission returned from executive session at 10:25 a.m., joined by Commissioner Marino. At the Executive Session, the discretionary license revocation was upheld by a vote of 3 to 2. Commissioners Carone, Weinshall, and Gonzalez voted to uphold the revocation and Commissioners Marino and Arout voted to reverse the revocation. Failing to reach the five votes required to reject, modify, or remand a discretionary revocation, the decision of the Chair to revoke the license was upheld. Chairman Yassky called the meeting to order and reported on the following:

- The Chair commended Deputy Commissioner Ray Scanlon and his staff for their extraordinary work over the past month. TLC set an all time record for seizures of unlicensed taxis in a month, seizing 849 in the month of January.

- The Chair thanked the industry for its assistance during the school bus strike. He specifically thanked Gene Freidman for his assistance in providing accessible vehicles to help students with disabilities get to school.

- The Chair welcomed to the meeting Chris Hayashi, Deputy Director of Taxi Services for the City and County of San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Citizens’ Advisory Council.
3. Item 4 on the agenda, Adoption of Minutes (December 13, 2012, Commission meeting), was presented to the Commission for approval. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Item 5 on the agenda, Base Applications for Determination, was presented to the Commission by Angelique Meola, Supervisor for Owner/Applicant Licensing. The following bases were presented for consideration:

**NEW (5):**

- B02585 Brooklyn Coach Inc.
- B02594 Fenix Mobile Dispatcher Ltd. D/b/a Fenix Mobile Dispatcher Ltd.
- B02605 NYC Green Car Service Inc.
- B02601 Romero Auto service Repairs Transport Towing Recovery L.L.C. D/b/a Runner Limo. & Car Service
- B02602 Vision Car Service Corp.

**RENEWALS (22):**

- B02080 #1 Mexicaly Car Services Corp.
- B01343 All People Car Service Inc.
- B02107 Apollo Radio Dispatch Inc.
- B01469 Brothers Car Service, Inc.
- B00693 Bushwick Car Service Inc.
- B00881 Crossbay Car Service Inc.
- B01593 Evergreen Trans. Inc. D/b/a Skyway
- B01625 Globe Car Service Inc.
- B01129 GTWY Inc. D/b/a Gateway Car & Limo. Service
- B00919 Harlem Cars Inc.
- B01635 Har-Sinay Car & Limousine Service Inc.
- B01639 High Class Limo. Car Service Corp.
- B01623 Jamaica Express Car Service Inc. D/b/a Sunshine Car Service
- B00469 Let It Ride Inc. D/b/a My Way
- B01437 Merengue Limo. & Car Service Inc.
- B01475 Midwood VS, Inc.
- B01467 New Experience #1 Inc.
- B01487 New Relampago Car Service Corp.
- B02178 New Way Car Service Inc.
- B02195 Ogden Car Services, Inc.
- B00501 Target Trans. Group
5. A motion was made to approve the base station license applications that were recommended for approval and deny the base station license recommended for denial. The motion passed unanimously.

6. E-Hail Application Pilot Program Amendment was presented for Commission Action. TLC General Counsel Meera Joshi introduced the amendment to the E-Hail Pilot Program, authorized on December 13, 2012, which clarifies that safety evaluations will be done initially and continuously, clarifies that the last quarterly report will be considered the final report, and sets a deadline for further action, if necessary. A motion was made to approve the amendment to the E-Hail Pilot Program. The initial motion failed with a vote of 4 yeses and two abstentions, with Chairman Yassky and Commissioners Weinshall, Gonzalez, and Carone voting yes and Commissioners Arout and Marino abstaining. Later, at Commissioner Marino’s request, a second motion was made to approve the amendment. The motion passed and the amendment was adopted by a vote of 5 yeses and one abstention, with Chairman Yassky and Commissioners Weinshall, Gonzalez, Carone, and Marino voting yes and Commissioner Arout abstaining.

7. Item 6(a), TPEP Security Standards, was presented for Commission action. TLC General Counsel Meera Joshi introduced the rule which establishes information security standards for authorized TPEP Providers. A public hearing was held and the following people testified: Richard Thaler, OMNI Media. A motion was made to adopt the rule and the motion passed unanimously.

8. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:44 a.m.

Minutes as approved by the Taxi & Limousine Commission on April 18, 2013

Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs / General Counsel

Date