NEW YORK CITY
TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Minutes of Commission Meeting
June 23, 2016

Present:

Meera Joshi, Commissioner/Chair
William Aguado, Commissioner
Frank Carone, Commissioner
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Jacques Jiha, Commissioner
Nora Marino, Commissioner
Lauvienska Polanco, Commissioner
Christopher Wilson, General Counsel

1. Chairperson Joshi called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with Commissioners Aguado, Carone, Gonzales, Jiha, and Polanco present and reported the following:

   • On June 13, street hail livery (or green taxi) permits became available for anyone to purchase. Previously the permits were only available to people who had an FHV driver’s license or FHV vehicle license. The permit is for three years and costs $3,450.
   • Jeff Roth, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, will be taking on a new position at New York City’s Department of Veterans’ Services.
   • Commissioner Nora Marino has been confirmed for another seven years as the Queens representative to the TLC.
   • Deborah Murphy, TLC’s Director of Finance, will be retiring after 29 years of dedicated service to the city, including 19 years at the TLC.
   • Vincent Chin has joined the TLC as Assistant Commissioner for Finance and Operations.
   • TLC is continuing to improve the online licensing process by providing online a searchable spreadsheet that informs drivers of the status of their application.

2. Item 4 on the Agenda, Adoption of Minutes (April 21, 2016, Commission meeting). The minutes were presented for approval. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

3. Item 5 on the agenda, Base Applications for Determination, was presented to the Commission by Angelique Meola, Supervisor of Licensing. The following bases were presented for consideration:
NEW (1)
B02935 Access Metro Llc
B02940 Rapfly Holding Corp./ Dba: Cambridge Car Service

RENEWAL (21)
B00054 128 Blue Bird Transport Inc./ Dba: Latch Car Service
B02557 185 Malta Car Service LLC
B01398 Alex Exp C/L Inc.
B00112 AYY&M Transportation, LLC/ Dba: Harborview Car Service
B01326 Deborah C/L Svc Inc.
B00823 Eastern L.P.B. Inc. / Dba: Eastern Car Svce
B02213 Express 11 Car Service, Inc.
B02028 Forest Avenue Car Service Inc.
B01625 Globe Car Service Inc
B00106 Hummingbird Car Svc
B00346 Merrick C/S Inc.
B01527 New Family Rad Disp. Inc.
B02229 New Fat Inc./ Dba: Elegante
B00859 Promenade Car Lease Inc.
B01444 Rego Park Express Inc.
B00030 Tremont Dispatching Corp.
B00401 Tremont Dispatching Corp.
B01009 United Limo C/M Svc Corp.
B02093 V.J. Car & Limo Svc Inc.
B00536 Winthrop Holding Of New York, Inc.
B01029 Zion Car Service Inc.

RENEWAL & DBA CHANGE (1)
B01175 Pacific Car Service Inc./ Dba: Heights Car & Limo

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (1)
B01642 Victory Car & Limo Service Inc.

CHANGE OF LOCATION (2)
B02145 2020 Car Service Inc.
B01392 New American Class L/C Service Corp.

CHANGE OF OFFICER (1)
B02405 Power Luxury Radio Dispatch Inc.

4. A motion was made to approve the base station license applications recommended for approval and deny the bases recommended for denial. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Item 6, Cleanup Rules Package, was presented for commission action. The package would amend TLC rules on: (1) exclusionary zone enforcement for SHLs, (2) affiliations with suspended bases, (3) certain licensing documentation, including license display and (4) changes to certain penalties. Commissioner Marino joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m. General Counsel Wilson then called for a vote on the rule, and the rule passed unanimously.

6. Item 7, Legislative Rule Implementation Package, was presented for a public hearing and commission action. The rule would implement recent changes in local law regarding retirement dates for Black Cars, penalties for illegal street hails, fare estimates for Black Car and Luxury Limousine bases, and information security and use of personal information policies. General Counsel Wilson called for a vote on the rule, and the rule passed unanimously.

7. Item 8, Driver Fatigue Rules, was presented for a public hearing. Madeline Labadie, Senior Analyst at TLC, gave a presentation on the rules. The rules would restrict drivers from picking up passengers for hire to no more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period and no more than 72 hours in any 7-day period. Commissioners Gonzales and Carone left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. Commissioner left the meeting at 12:20 p.m. The following people testified: Keith Kerman, DCAS; Anna Caffarelli, DOHMH; Inspector Scott Hanover, NYPD; Juan Martinez, DOT; William Paholak; Steven Shanker, Livery Roundtable; Tejinder Singh; Nat Goldbetter, LOMTO; Placida Robinson, Independent Medallion Drivers Association; Nino Herbids; Gladys Barrera; Sergio Cabrera; Gladys Tahada; Carolyn Protz; Jean Pierre Nixon; Surjit Singh Gill; Michael O’Laughlin, Cab Riders United; Avik Cabessa; Carmel; Adalgiesa Sanchez; David Beier, Committee for Taxi Safety; James Rahming; Frank Osei-Bonsu; Peter Mazer, MTBOT; Mohamed Boukerche; Osman Chowdhury, United Taxi Drivers Association; Fernando Garcia, ASOTINY; Jose Jaen, NYS Federation of Taxi Drivers; Pedro Aguilar, Coalicion de Taxistas NY; Erin Abrams, Via; Hector German; Asim Aktar, NTYWA.

8. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Minutes as approved by the Taxi and Limousine Commission on July 18, 2016.

Christopher C. Wilson
General Counsel

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Date