

Metropolitan Taxicab Commission

**July 10, 2008 @ 10:00 am**  
**100 North Tucker Boulevard, Auditorium**

Members present: Commissioners Banahan, Haile, Hamilton, McNutt, Reeves, and Rudawsky.  
Members absent: Commissioners Bennett & Satz. (*One seat on the Commission remains vacant.*)  
MTC staff: Barker, Boutte, Deering, Hammond, and Tully.  
Legal Department: Counselor McCarthy

*Chairman Hamilton called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.*

**MINUTES**

Chairman Hamilton requested approval for the meeting minutes of May 22, 2008. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Rudawsky and seconded by Mr. McNutt. The motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Commissioners scheduled the next Commission meeting for August 12, 2008 at 9:00 AM at 100 North Tucker Boulevard in the Auditorium, pending the availability of the facility.

Mr. McCarthy presented a framework for rules promulgated and some proposed rules to solidify existing procedures. After a short discussion, the Chairman tabled the matter until the August meeting.

Mr. McCarthy requested an appeal hearing of the Hearing Officer's decision to be held before the Commission in the matter of MTC vs. Wilson Taxi. The appeal request was granted by the Commission and will be heard on Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 9am.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Director reported his findings regarding driver training programs, as previously suggested by Mr. Rudawsky in the May meeting.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Tully presented the statistics for the past month. There were 73 new applicants, 131 renewals, and \$750 of late fees collected. Inspections included 731 on call taxi renewals and 7 formal inspections of other classes. The on call fleet renewal was completed. Renewal of about 344 Courtesy vehicles will be completed by the end of August. Approximately \$29,000 was collected in Airport Access fees.

Director Tully informed the Commission of the month's enforcement activities. 14 summonses were issued by agents, 5 vehicles were red tagged, 2 court orders were served, 1 vehicle was seized. In addition, 4 prohibited devices were seized: 1 radar detector and 3 radio scanners.

In cooperation with the Convention and Visitor's Commission, Cab Driver Appreciation Day was held. Coffee, water, doughnuts, and goodie bags were distributed by the Director and CVC members at

downtown cab stands and at the Airport. Airport Express Driver, Awil Yusuf, was the winner of the drawing for a free tank of gas. The CVC would like to repeat this event every six months.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Reeves reviewed the May and June numbers. He focused on June and pointed out the strong cash position and that receivables are up due to timing issues. Per the income statement, June is showing a positive \$46,545 for the month, bringing the year-to-date to a positive \$23,650. He stated the income is strong and it is tracking a head of schedule.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session was held.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no additional business, Chairman Hamilton entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Rudawsky and was seconded by Mr. Reeves. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 AM.

*The meeting recording was transcribed by A. Hammond.  
Minutes were interpreted from the transcript by D. Barker.*