

Metropolitan Taxicab Commission
March 24, 2016 @ 10:00 am
Commission Headquarters, 2628 Delmar, Hearings Room

Members present: Commissioners: Reeves, McNutt, Rudawsky, Satz, Asfaw, Osho, and Fitch
Members absent: Commissioners: Tucci
Legal Department: Charles Billings

MINUTES

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Reeves and the roll was called by Beth Dunham: Chairman Reeves-present, Commissioner McNutt-present, Commissioner Rudawsky-present, Commissioner Tucci-absent, Commissioner Satz-present, Commissioner Asfaw-present, Commissioner Osho, and Commissioner Fitch-present. A quorum being found, the meeting began.

Chairman Reeves made a motion to approve the February 24, 2016 minutes, moved by Commissioner Rudawsky, seconded by Commissioner Satz. There was no discussion by the board and vote was taken; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes. The minutes were adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

Following adoption of the minutes, the following items were discussed and voted upon by the Commission

- April 26, 2016 at 10:00a.m. was set as the next regular meeting of the Commission. (approved by consensus, no vote was taken)

CCN Hearings

- **Sale of a Share**

The Director presented a contract for Commission approval of the sale of one (1) share of CCN holder Independence Cab Company. Gary Sooch was selling one share of Independence Cab Company to Ali Mohamed. The Director explained that all of the paperwork was in order and recommended approval. A motion was made to accept the staff recommendation by Chairman Reeves, moved by Commissioner Rudawsky and seconded by Commissioner McNutt. There was no discussion by the board, vote was taken, and the sale was approved: Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

The next item on the agenda was to address the requests from current CCN Holder's for additional premium sedan permits. After discussion on the need and necessity for additional premium sedan permits it was determined by the board to look at each individual's request on a case by case basis.

- **American Transportation**

A request was made by American Transportation for an additional seven premium sedan permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Fitch to approve the request

for an additional two permits, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Satz, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-abstain, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-abstain, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **Arch Towne Transportation**

A request was made by Arch Towne Transportation for an additional five premium sedan permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Fitch to approve the request for an additional two permits, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Satz, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **AMJ Transportation**

A request was made by AMJ Transportation for one additional premium sedan permit. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Fitch to approve the request for an additional permit, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Satz, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **Execu Car & Limo St. Louis**

A request was made by Execu Car & Limo St. Louis for an additional nine premium sedan permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Satz to approve the request for an additional four permits, pending the CCN Holder provide a bill of sale per each vehicle, and the permits have to be in utilized within three business days. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-abstain, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-abstain, Commissioner Osho-abstain, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **JED Transportation**

A request was made by JED Transportation for an additional three premium sedan permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner McNutt to approve the request for an additional three permits, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Satz, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- After the premium sedan request for additional permits was voted on, Chairman Reeves made a motion to place a moratorium on premium sedan permits until further notice. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-abstain, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **Claddagh Carriage Company, LLC-Horse Drawn Carriage Class.** The Deputy Director presented a CCN application to the board. He explained that the application was in order and the staff was presenting the application for discussion and vote. A motion was made to approve the CCN application as presented by Commissioner Fitch, seconded by

Commissioner Satz. After discussion Chairman Reeves then called the question, a vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- **r.u. Epedicabs, LLC-Alternative Transportation Class.** The Deputy Director presented a CCN application to the board. He explained that the application was in order and the staff was presenting the application for discussion and vote. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Fitch to approve the application for six permits, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Satz, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.
- **Code Revision 612 Special Requirements for Pedicabs**
The legal council presented Code revision 612 to the board for discussion and vote. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner McNutt to approve the Code Revision, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner McNutt made a motion to approve the September 18, 2015 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Satz. There was no discussion by the board and vote was taken; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-abstain, and Commissioner Fitch-abstain. The minutes were adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no financial report discussed at the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fred Sweets representing St. Louis American Cab addressed the board.

Richard Jackson representing Arch Towne Transportation addressed the board in regards to more premium sedan permits for his company.

Raja Naeem, addressed the board in regards to premium sedan applications.

Jamie Dolby representing Harris Cab Co also addressed the board and audience.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Reeves made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 11:58a.m. to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under 610.021(1). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the Commissioners entered into Executive Session; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Pursuant to Missouri Statute 620.021, an Executive Session may be held to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under §610.021(1), RSMo 1988 Supp.; leasing, purchase or sale of real estate under §610.021(2); personnel actions under §610.021(3); discussions regarding negotiations with employee groups under §610.021(9); personnel records or applications under §610.021(13); or records under §610.021(14) which are otherwise protected from disclosure by law; or confidential or privileged communications with the District's auditor, including auditor work products under §X610.021(17).

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Reeves reconvened the meeting at 12:21p.m. With no more on the agenda and no more discussion Commissioner Fitch made a motion to adjourn the March 24, 2016 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Rudawsky. Vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 12:24p.m.; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Satz-yes, Commissioner Asfaw-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Minutes were interpreted from an audio recording of the meeting by Beth Dunham.