

Metropolitan Taxicab Commission
May 31, 2016 @ 10:00 am
Commission Headquarters, 2628 Delmar, Hearings Room

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

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-present, Commissioner Satz-absent, Commissioner Asfaw-absent, Commissioner Osho-present, and Commissioner Fitch-present. A quorum being found, the meeting began.

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

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

- June 23, 2016 at 10:00a.m. was set as the next regular meeting of the Commission. (approved by consensus, no vote was taken)
- Chairman Reeves opened the meeting for discussion.
- After discussion Chairman Reeves made a motion to amend the agenda to include a proposal to place a moratorium on on-call taxi permits, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the amendment to the agenda was adopted; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-abstain, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-abstain, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Chairman Reeves then made a motion to place a moratorium on on-call taxi permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion could not pass. In order for a motion to pass under Section 67.1810. 1. To implement internally the powers which it has been granted, the commission shall: (4) Make decisions by affirmative vote of the majority of the commission; provided that each of the commissioners, including the chairperson, shall be entitled to one vote on each matter presented for vote and provided further that at least two city appointees and two county appointees, excluding the chairperson,

must be included in each majority vote of the commission; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-abstain, Commissioner Rudawsky-abstain, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-abstain, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Chairman Reeves made a motion to table CCN Hearings for the on-call taxi class. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion passed; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Transfer of Shares

- The Director presented the transfer of four (4) shares from Independence Taxi to St. Louis Airport Taxi for Commission approval. 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 Tucci and seconded by Commissioner Fitch. There was no discussion by the board, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-abstain, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.
- **CCN Hearing - NoMad Pedicabs, LLC-Alternative Transportation Class.** The Deputy Director presented the 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 Reeves to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

The next item on the agenda was to address requests from current CCN Holder's for additional permits.

- **r.u. Epedicabs, LLC-Alternative Transportation Class.** A request was made for an additional five alternative transportation class permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Reeves to approve the request for the additional permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.
- **American Queen Carriage-Horse Drawn Carriage Class.** A request was made for an additional four horse drawn carriage class permits. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Reeves to approve the request for the additional permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.
- **Claddagh Carriage Company, LLC-Horse Drawn Carriage Class.** A request was made for one additional horse drawn carriage class permit. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Reeves to approve the request for the additional permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

- After discussion Chairman Reeves made a motion to amend the agenda to include a proposal to place a moratorium on pedicabs and carriages, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitch, vote was taken, and the amendment to the agenda was adopted; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

Chairman Reeves then made a motion to place a moratorium on pedicab and carriage permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the motion was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chairman Reeves gave a review of the annual audit for 2015, then made a motion for the audit to be approved, seconded by Commissioner Tucci. Vote was taken and the audit was approved; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Sumner addressed the board in regards to CCN applications.

Fred Sweets from St. Louis American Cab Company addressed the board on the issue of to many cab companies in the St. Louis area.

Petre Alexandrov from XL Transportation spoke to the board about obtaining more premium sedan permits.

Ahsan Malik from United Cab Co., addressed the board in regards to Uber.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Reeves made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 11:34a.m. To discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under 610.021(1). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci, vote was taken, and the Commissioners entered into Executive Session; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-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 11:58a.m. With no announcements to be made and no more on the agenda Chairman Reeves made a motion to adjourn the May 31, 2016 meeting, seconded by Commissioner McNutt. Vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 12:04p.m.; Chairman Reeves-yes, Commissioner McNutt-yes, Commissioner Rudawsky-yes, Commissioner Tucci-yes, Commissioner Osho-yes, and Commissioner Fitch-yes.

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