

Metropolitan Taxicab Commission

**August 21, 2013 @ 10:00 am
Commission Headquarters, 2628 Delmar, Hearings Room**

Members present: Commissioners: Hamilton, McNutt, Reeves, Rudawsky, Satz, and Tucci
Members absent: Commissioners: Bennett, Gidey, and Asfaw
Legal Department: Tom McCarthy

MINUTES

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hamilton and the roll was called by Beth Dunham; Chairman Hamilton-here, Commissioner McNutt-here, Reeves-here, Bennett-absent, Gidey-absent, Rudawsky-here, Satz-here, Tucci-here, and Asfaw-absent. A quorum being found the meeting was called to order. The first order of business was approving the minutes from the July 24, 2013 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chairman Hamilton, moved by Commissioner McNutt, and seconded by Tucci. With no further discussion on the minutes roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, the minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

The first order of new business was discussing the meeting for September, which was tentatively set for Thursday, September 19, 2013. After a brief discussion the meeting was changed to Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 10:00a.m.

The first item of new business was the transfer of one (1) share Hearing for St. Louis Airport Taxi Company, LLC. Feisal Adam Hassan was selling his one (1) share of which he owned of St. Louis Airport Taxi, LLC to Abdirisak Mohamud Mohaned. The Director explained the transfer was reviewed by the staff, the \$250.00 transfer fee was paid, and it was the staff's recommendation that the transfer of the share of ownership be approved. A motion was made by Chairman Hamilton to approve the staff's recommendation of the transfer of one (1) share of St. Louis Airport Taxi, LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reeves and roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, the transfer was approved.

The second item of new business was the transfer of one (1) share Hearing for Gateway Express, LLC. Nazir Omar was selling his one (1) share of which he owned of Gateway Express, LLC to Berhane Woldegerima. The Director explained the transfer was reviewed by the staff, the \$250.00 transfer fee was paid, and it was the staff's recommendation that the transfer of the share of ownership be approved. A motion was made by Chairman Hamilton to approve the staff's recommendation of the transfer of one (1) share of Gateway Express, LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reeves and roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, the transfer was approved.

The final item of new business was the Code revision for CCN Holders to be allowed to impose a clean up fee for soiling the interior of vehicles with bodily fluids. The Director read the Code revision to section 501 L. 1 to the Commissioners. Chairman Hamilton made a motion to approve the Code revision as presented, seconded by Commissioner Satz and a discussion began. After discussion an amendment was made to include a Director's rule to place a cap on clean up fees imposed. Chairman Hamilton made a motion to approve the amendment to the Code revision including the Director's rule, seconded by Commissioner Rudawsky. Roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, and the amendments were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director had no business to discuss at the August 21, 2013 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Reeves went over the financial packet, he stated the first seven months of the year show we're still showing a healthy cash position. He explained that on page three of the financial packets showed are revenue and expenses year to date with a positive \$37,830.00, which was slightly below budget. He explained the last page was July by itself showing a negative (-\$1,148.00) which was under budget due to airport fees and other lost revenue.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business at the August 21, 2013 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fred Sweets, owner of St. Louis American Cab addressed the Commissioners in regards to his cab drivers stating that doorman at the hotels are steering passengers towards premium sedan drivers for extra tip money rather than steering them towards cabs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

With no more on the agenda Chairman Hamilton made a motion to enter into Executive Session under Missouri Statute 610.021(2) to discuss personnel actions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tucci and seconded and roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, and the Commissioners entered into Executive Session at 10:37a.m.

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).

The Commissioners withdrew the motion to enter into Executive Session under RSMo 610.021(2), and Chairman Hamilton made a motion to enter the meeting into Executive Session under section 610.021(1) to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rudawsky and roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, the Commissioners entered into Executive Session at 10:42a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hamilton reconvened the Commission meeting at 11:15a.m. Chairman Hamilton explained that in the Executive Session the Commissioners approved the designation of Bruntrager & Billings, P.C. Law Firm as the new general legal counsel of the Commission. Chairman Hamilton then made a motion to adjourn the August 21, 2013 meeting at 11:21a.m. The motion was moved by Commissioner Reeves and seconded by Tucci. Roll was called; Hamilton-yes, McNutt-yes, Reeves-yes, Rudawsky-yes, Satz-yes, and Tucci-yes, the meeting was adjourned.

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