

NEW YORK CITY
TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Minutes of Commission Meeting
July 18, 2016

Present:

Meera Joshi, *Commissioner/Chair*
Frank Carone, *Commissioner*
Edward Gonzales, *Commissioner*
Jacques Jiha, *Commissioner*
Lauvienska Polanco, *Commissioner*
Christopher Wilson, *General Counsel*

1. Chairperson Joshi called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. with Commissioners Gonzales and Jiha present and reported the following:
 - TLC offices at Long Island City are down temporarily. Licensees have been notified by industry notice and e-mail.
 - Applicants for a TLC driver's license can now submit documentation and make payments online. Applicants will also be directed to go to one of ten New York City sites for fingerprinting. These sites have all have expanded hours that should be more convenient for applicants than the service hours at TLC.
 - Rodney Stiles has been promoted to the position of Assistant Commissioner of Data and Technology.
 - Alan Fromberg recently celebrated 20 years with the TLC.
2. Item 7, Universal Driver License Rules, was presented for a public hearing. Daniel Goddin, TLC Assistant General Counsel, gave a presentation on the proposed rules, which would create a new rule chapter that governs drivers of taxis and for-hire vehicles, update rule penalties generally, and amend the procedures regarding the seizure and forfeiture of vehicles for unlicensed for-hire activity. The following people testified: David Pollack, Melrose Taxi Action Center; Naphtali Jefferson; Daniel Joseph, Bolton-St. Johns on behalf of Committee for Taxi Safety; Fernando Garcia, ASOTINY; Peter Mazer, MTBOT; and Zubin Soleimany, NYTWA. Commissioner Carone joined the meeting at 10:45 a.m.
3. Item 4 on the Agenda, Adoption of Minutes (June 23, 2016, Commission meeting). The minutes were presented for approval. Commissioner Polanco joined the meeting at 10:55 a.m. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

4. Item 5 on the agenda, Base Applications for Determination, was presented to the Commission by Assistant Commissioner Aisha Richard. The following bases were presented for consideration:

RENEWAL (3)

B02601 Romero Auto Service Repairs Transport Towing/ Db: Runner Limo & Car Service
B00008 T-D Maintenance Corp/Db: Four Ones Car Service
B00056 Transit Private Car Service Inc.

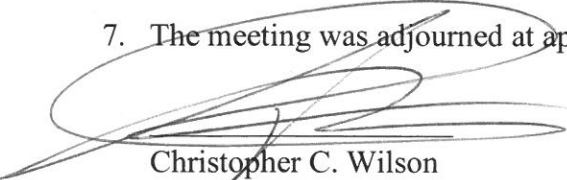
RENEWAL & CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (1)

B00170 Emunah Car Service Inc.

RENEWAL & CHANGE OF OFFICER (1)

B00937 Riverside Radio Dispatcher

5. 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.
6. Item 6, Driver Fatigue Rules, was presented for commission action. 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. Upon a motion by Chair Joshi, the Commission voted to pass the rules but delay its effective date until November 1 while TLC researches a more effective method for measuring work hours and fatigue. General Counsel Wilson then called for a vote on the rule, and the rule passed unanimously.
7. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.


Christopher C. Wilson
General Counsel

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Date