

NEW YORK CITY
TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION

Minutes of Commission Meeting

October 15, 2015

Present:

Meera Joshi, *Commissioner/Chair*

William Aguado, *Commissioner*

Frank Carone, *Commissioner*

Edward Gonzales, *Commissioner*

Jacques Jiha, *Commissioner*

Nora Marino, *Commissioner*

Lauvienska Polanco, *Commissioner*

Christopher Wilson, *General Counsel*

1. Chairperson Joshi called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. with Commissioners Aguado, Carone, Gonzales, Jiha, Marino, and Polanco present and reported the following:
 - TLC Licensing Offices will be moving to a new facility mid-November. Forthcoming industry notices will provide details about the move and service disruptions.
 - Beginning October 26, new driver applicants will need to go online to schedule an appointment. The new system aims to increase efficiency and lower foot traffic at the Licensing Offices.
 - TLC will be rolling out a new text messaging system to notify driver applicants about any issues with their application.
2. Item 4 on the Agenda, Adoption of Minutes (September 17, 2015, Commission meeting). The minutes were presented for approval. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.
3. Item 5 on the agenda, Base Applications for Determination, was presented to the Commission by Angelique Meola, Supervisor of Licensing. The following bases were presented for consideration:

NEW (1):

B02832 NYC Fly Wheels Inc.

RENEWAL (2):

B01269 Division Car & Limo Inc./ dba: Natanya Transportation

B02531 HTP, Inc.

RENEWAL & CHANGE OF OFFICER (2):

B02531 Clean Air Car Service And Parking Corp.
Excellent Car & Limo Service, Inc. Excellent Car & Limo

B02437 Service, Inc.

RENEWAL & CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP(1):

B02006 America United Multiplex Car Service Corp.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (3):

B00008 T-D Maintenance Corp./ dba: Four Ones Car Service

B00009 T-D Maintenance/dba: Four Ones Car Service

B01651 U.P.S. Radio Dispatch Corp./ dba: Wireless Car Service

CHANGE OF LOCATION (3)

B00131 New Mexicana Car Service li Inc./ dba: Azteca Express

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP, BASE NAME & LOCATION (1):

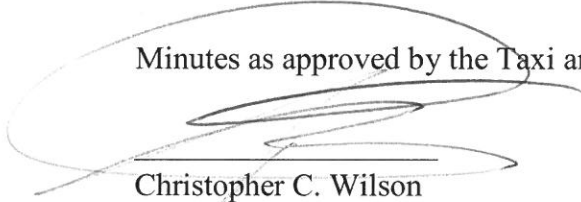
B02163 MEGA MEX INC.

4. 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.
5. Item 6, Taxi Improvement Fund Rules, was presented for commission action. The rules will establish fund payments to medallion owners and drivers and a lease credit to drivers of wheelchair accessible taxis. Following a public hearing on September 17, several changes were made to the rules, namely, that vehicle owners will be required to participate in the accessible dispatch program in order to receive fund payments and that the fund payments will be made to both owners of restricted accessible medallions and owners of unrestricted medallions that are required to be hacked up as an accessible taxi. General Counsel then called for a vote on the rules, and the rules passed unanimously.
6. Item 7, Leasing Pilot, was presented for commission action. Jeff Roth, TLC Deputy Commissioner of Policy and External Affairs, gave a presentation on the pilot resolution, which will exempt participants from the 12-hour taxi lease requirement and allow for taxis to be leased for no more than 35% of the fare box revenue. The General Counsel called for a vote on the pilot resolution, and it passed unanimously.

7. Item 8, Alternative Technology Pilot, was presented for commission action. Jeff Garber, Policy Advisor at TLC, gave a presentation on the pilot resolution, which will allow the use of GPS-based meters in taxis and the removal of the Passenger Information Monitor (or "Taxi TV"). Commissioners Carone, Gonzales, Aguado, and Marino spoke in support of the program. The Commission first considered an amendment to the resolution, which revises the 1000 vehicle cap by limiting the number of vehicles in which a participant can pilot alternative technology at 250. The General Counsel called for a vote on the amendment, and the amendment passed unanimously. The General Counsel then called for a vote on the pilot resolution, and it passed unanimously.

8. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:52 a.m.

Minutes as approved by the Taxi and Limousine Commission on December 3, 2015.



Christopher C. Wilson
General Counsel

12/17/15
Date