

BEFORE THE STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY

IN THE MATTER OF:
APPEAL OF TESHOME BALCHA FROM
THE HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION
CONCERNING EVENT NO. 161126-010

ORDER

At a regular monthly session of the State of Nevada Taxicab Authority, held at the Nevada Taxicab Authority, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89119.

PRESENT: Stan Olsen, Chairperson
Bruce Aguilera, Member
Richard David Groover, Member
James E. Campos, Member
Roger C, Thompson, Ph.d, Member
Ronald Grogan, Taxicab Authority Administrator
Sophia Long, Deputy Attorney General

On April 26, 2016, the STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY BOARD ("Board") held a public hearing in the above-entitled matter in compliance with the provisions of the Nevada Open Meeting Law, the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act, and Chapter 706 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). The Taxicab Authority Administration was represented by Gary Mathews, Deputy Attorney General. Teshome Balcha ("Appellant") appeared without counsel and represented himself in this matter. The Board was represented by Sophia Long, Deputy Attorney General. At the hearing, the Board reviewed documents filed on Appellant's behalf with the Taxicab Authority and heard argument presented by Mr. Mathews and Appellant. The Board makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On November 26, 2016 at approximately 3:45 a.m., Appellant was observed loading two passengers while in the travel lane on Las Vegas Boulevard.
2. Appellant was cited for NRS 706.8845 (9), not load or unload passengers or luggage at any intersection or crosswalk or at any place or in any manner that will interfere with the orderly flow of traffic, and Clark County Ordinance 15.04290, which states it shall be unlawful for any person to park a taxicab for the purpose of seeking employment or passengers, at any place upon the streets or highways of Clark County.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Appellant did park his vehicle in the travel lane on Las Vegas Boulevard for the purpose of seeking employment and prohibited the orderly flow of traffic while loading two passengers in violation of NRS 706.8845(9) and Clark County Ordinance 15.04290.
2. The Hearing Officer's decision should be accepted and the decision finding Appellant guilty of both charges be upheld.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Board accepts the findings of the Hearing Officer and the decision be upheld.

Dated this 22 day of June, 2017.

BY THE AUTHORITY:


STAN OLSEN - CHAIRPERSON