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BEFORE THE STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY

IN THE MATTER OF:

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF LUCKY CAB COMPANY FOR AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY (30) 24/7 UNRESTRICTED MEDALLIONS PER CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

OF LAW AND ORDER

At a regular monthly session of the STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY ("Taxicab Authority"), held at the Nevada Taxicab Authority, 2080 E. Flamingo Rd., Suite 114, Las Vegas, NV 89119,

PRESENT:

Ileana Drobkin, Chairperson

Dean Collins, Member Dennis Nolan, Member James Campos, Member Bruce Aguilera, Member

Ronald Grogan, Taxicab Authority Administrator Christine Nyhus-Guerci, Deputy Attorney General

The Taxicab Authority makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY, based upon the evidence presented during the Hearing, finds that there is a preponderance of evidence in the record to establish each of the following Findings of Fact:

 On November 19, 2015, a public hearing was held regarding the above-entitled matter in compliance with the provisions of the Nevada Open Meeting Law, the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 706 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and

- the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), at which time all interested parties appeared and were permitted to be heard.
- The Taxicab Authority is authorized to allocate additional medallions, whenever in its'
 judgement, circumstances require an increase in existing allocations. NRS
 706.8824(3).
- The Taxicab Authority is required to allocate the additional medallions equally among the Certificate Holders.
- 4. Pursuant to NRS 706.8824(4) unless a Certificate Holder puts the additionally allocated medallions into service within 30 days of the effective date of that allocation, the increased allocation to that Certificate Holder is void.
- 5. On or about October 28, 2015, Lucky Cab Company filed an Application for an additional thirty (30) 24/7 unrestricted medallions per Certificate Holder.
- The following filed Petitions to Intervene and all were permitted to intervene and be heard: (1) A Cab, LLC, (2) Desert Cab Company, (3) Lucky Cab Company, (4) Deluxe Taxicab Service, (5) Nellis Cab Company, (6) Whittlesea Blue / Henderson Taxi, (7) Yellow / Checker / Star Cab Companies, (8) United Steelworkers Union 711A,
 - (9) Ace Cab, A NLV Cab, Union Cab, Virgin Valley Cab, and Vegas-Western Cab,(10) Western Cab Company and (11) ITPE Union.
- Applicants and Intervenors were allowed to present argument and evidence regarding whether current circumstances require an additional allocation of medallions.
- 8. Applicants and Intervenors A Cab, Desert Cab Company, Lucky Cab Company, Deluxe Taxicab Service, Nellis Cab Company, Whittlesea Blue / Henderson Taxi, and Western Cab Company testified that there was a need for additional taxicab service noting the new stadium opening and the expansion of Mandalay Bay's Convention Center and

- that it was in the public interest to add medallions to allow for more taxi service to the riding public.
- 9. Intervenors Ace Cab, A NLV Cab, Union Cab, Virgin Valley Cab, and Vegas-Western Cab, Yellow / Checker / Star Cab Companies, United Steelworkers Union 711A, and ITPE Union testified that there was no need for an additional allocation and that additional medallions would add to traffic congestion.
- 10. Staff offered no testimony.
- 11. The Las Vegas Convention and Visitor's Authority had provided testimony during its presentation of the need for more ADA capable taxicabs to service handicapped and/or disabled convention attendees.
- 12. The Taxicab Authority finds that it is necessary to add additional medallions to provide more taxi service to the riding public.
- 13. The Taxicab Authority further finds that it is necessary to add additional ADA capable taxicabs to provide adequate service to handicapped and/or disabled individuals.
- 14. If any of the foregoing findings of fact is more properly deemed a conclusion of law, it may be so construed.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon the findings of fact, the Taxicab Authority hereby finds by a preponderance of the evidence the following conclusions of law:

- Pursuant to NRS 706.8824, the Taxicab Authority is authorized to allocate additional medallions, whenever circumstances require an increase in existing allocations.
- Based upon the arguments, evidence, and recommendations presented by applicants and intervenors, the Board concludes that there is currently a need to increase the number of taxicabs available to the riding public.

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- The Taxicab Authority further concludes that it is necessary to add additional ADA capable taxicabs to provide adequate service to handicapped and/or disabled individuals.
- 4. The Taxicab Authority has concluded that the public interest will best be served by the additional allocation of taxicab medallions as follows:
 - a. Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued and effective on December 15, 2015 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion;
 - Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued and effective on January 15, 2016 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion; and
 - c. Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued February 12, 2016 and effective on February 15, 2016 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion.

<u>ORDER</u>

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

Thirty additional medallions will be issued to each Certificate Holder as follows:

- a. Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued and effective on December 15, 2015 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion;
- Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued and effective on January 15, 2016 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion; and

c. Ten (10) new 24/7 county wide permanent medallions to be issued February 12, 2016 and effective on February 15, 2016 – one of which must be a Handicap Permanent 24-7 medallion.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2015.

BY THE AUTHORITY:

ILEANA DROBKIN – CHAIRPERSON