BEFORE THE STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATIONS

and

PUBLIC HEARING

TO ADOPT TEMPORARY REGULATIONS/TEMPORARILY AMEND REGULATIONS/ TEMPORARILY REPEAL REGULATIONS FROM CHAPTER 706 (NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY) OF THE NEVADA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

THE STATE OF NEVADA TAXICAB AUTHORITY BOARD WILL MEET TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF:

- a. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the Adoption, Amendment and Repeal of regulations that pertain to Chapter 706 of the Nevada Administrative Code.
- b. Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Nevada Taxicab Authority may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to The Nevada Taxicab Authority, ATTN: Lona Monson Webb, Esq., 2090 E. Flamingo Road, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89119/ or email to: lmwebb@taxi.state.nv.us; written submissions must be received by The Nevada Taxicab Authority on or before FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025, AT 3:00 P.M.

The Date and Time of the Hearing: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

At 9:30 a.m.

at the

Nevada State Business Center 3300 W. Sahara Avenue Nevada Room Las Vegas, NV 89102

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Further information is available at the Taxicab Authority office located at 2090 E. Flamingo Road, Suite 200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119.

This Hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.020).

- Call to Order
- Public Comment
- Discussion concerning temporary new regulations/amendments/repeal of regulations within NAC chapter 706.450-706.9918.
- Public Comment—Public comment is welcomed during public comment periods and
 is limited to 3 minutes per person per public comment period. Unused time may not
 be allocated to other speakers. A speaker's viewpoint will not be restricted; however,
 reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place, and manner of speech.
 Irrelevant statements, unduly repetitious statements, and personal attacks that would
 objectively antagonize or incite others are examples of speech that may be reasonably
 limited.
- Adjournment.

Pursuant to NRS 233B.0603, the Taxicab Authority is providing the following statements pertaining to the public hearing on proposed changes to Chapter 706 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

1. The need for and the purpose of the proposed regulation or amendment.

The adoption/amendments/repeal of these regulations pertains to the outdated and vague nature of the regulations, both in form and substance. Many of the regulations contain language or descriptions of items or actions that are outdated or no longer utilized, and others are needed to update current procedures or are otherwise necessary to complete gaps in the existing regulatory scheme.

The need and purpose of the proposed regulations/amendments/repeals concerns the review of the entirety of the regulatory scheme within NAC chapter 706.450-706.9918. The repeal of NAC 706.991-706.9918 requiring appeals to be made to the Nevada Transportation Authority ("NTA") is outdated, other sections of the regulations including, but not limited to, the revision moving the uniform system of accounts from the NAC's to the TA by creating a manual which sets forth the uniform system of accounts that must be used and thus deleting NAC sections 706.558 through

NAC 706.855; NAC 706.972 re rehearings; NAC 706.885 re classification of parties; NAC 706.888 re appearances; NAC 706.884 regarding interventions and consider adopting the NTA language at NAC 706.3965-39655 re same; review NAC 706.900-912 and consider adopting NTA practice regulations NAC 706.3957, 706.3959, 706.397 and others; to consider adopting NAC 706.450(6) and (7) and the definitions of lease medallions and the definition of medallion in general; NAC 706.465 application process and the increase of fees associated therewith; 706.474; repeal 706.481(3); 706.486(1)(b) unit numbers displayed 4 inches in height rather than 6 inches and correct the telephone number located in (f); NAC 706.487 and a updating and loosening the industry requirements re identifying taxicabs; 706.489 re the upcoming future of digital medallions; 706.492(8) regarding windows free from obstructions and vision not impaired; lessening the regulation re tint on windows per 11(d); NAC 706.496; 706.497(3)(d) repeal; 706.501(2) and tinted windows, amber lights, and the ability to read meters from outside a cab; 706.510 needs updated; 706.519(1)(b) and the timing of health certificates; 706.525 discussion re lessening the frequency of permit renewals; 706.531 re repeal "bracket" as outdated; NAC 706.540 re lease drivers and apparel; 706.543(8) re valid medallion issued by TA rather than affixed and (11) re electronic trip sheet, and (4) re allowing 6 passengers instead of 5 passengers; 706.546 and outdated language re employee and independent contractor language and repeal 706.546(3) re permanent driver based on periods of duty; 706.549(5) time clocks are no longer used; 706.551 updated the practical implications of how often driver searches interior of cab to discovery lost property; 706.5551(1)(a) updated the language from lease template instead of lease agreement; 706.5557(1)(f)(4)(II) updated re inspection one time per week; 706.5559 re money owed to any certificate holder and use of security deposits; 706.556(2) updated to allow the usage of a digital copy of the lease; 706.5563 trip sheets are electronic now; 706.5565(3)(a) and change requested to update current status re one-half of the number of medallions issued; repeal NAC 706.558 through 855to allow for Taxicab Authority manual re uniform systems of accounts; revisions to the NAC's pertaining to Practice Before Taxicab Authority to include, among others, confidential information, adoption of several Nevada Transportation Authority NAC's re motions, answers, petitions and responses; and other practice rules to streamline and modernize intervention requests, authority of the Chairperson, setting forth terms of office, respective duties and the selection of Chair and Vice-Chair.

2. If the proposed regulation is a temporary regulation, either the terms or substance of the proposed regulation or a description of the subjects and issues involved.

The newly created proposed regulations are the development of a manual for the implementation of the Uniform System of Accounts to be utilized by the industry and the deletion of those currently contained within Chapter 706 of the NAC's. There is a provision outlining selection of a chair and vice-chair of the taxicab authority, as well as additions to the rules of practice before the authority.

3. If the proposed regulation is a permanent regulation, a statement explaining how to obtain the approved or revised text of the proposed regulation prepared by the Legislative Counsel pursuant to NRS 233B.063.

These are not permanent regulations and will be effective through November 2025. The Taxicab Authority will seek permanent adoption of the regulations before that time.

4. An estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately and in each case must include:

• Adverse economic effect on regulated businesses

One of the temporary changes to the regulations will increase the fee for those businesses that request authority to transfer an interest in a certificate of public convenience and necessity or in a corporation holding a certificate (increase from \$200 to \$400) such fee has not been changed since 1988; The industry has not objected to this increase.

• Beneficial economic effect on regulated businesses

Many of the temporary regulation adoptions/amendments and repeals contain beneficial economic effects on the taxicab industry in Clark County, Nevada, as they lighten the regulatory scheme and lengthen time between necessary acts. Examples include removing certain monthly reporting requirements for the certificate holder and moving the Uniform System of Accounts from the NAC's and, instead, implementing a manual used for purposes of recording transactions by certificate holders, thus making necessary changes to the reporting requirements much more efficient for the industry. The benefit of increasing the length of time for the validity of drivers permits will benefit the regulated businesses in the long run as the cost to become a permitted driver will decrease as will the number of appearances required at the taxicab authority office to obtain those permits.

• Immediate economic effect on regulated businesses

The immediate economic effect on regulated businesses will be to financially lighten requirements of outfitting the taxicabs for use in the field.

• Long-term economic effect on regulated businesses

The long-term economic effect will be beneficial to the industry as regulations are lightened, and the long-term effect of the two fee increases will be minimal as the taxicab authority receives very few requests to transfer authority or applications annually.

• Adverse economic effect on the public

There is no economic effect on the public with respect to these temporary regulations/amendments/repeals.

• Beneficial economic effect on the public

It is not anticipated that the proposed temporary regulations/amendments/repeals will have any beneficial economic effect on the public.

• Immediate economic effect on the public

It is not anticipated that the proposed temporary regulations/amendments/repeals will have any immediate beneficial economic effect on the public.

• Long-term economic effect on the public

It is not anticipated that the proposed temporary regulations/amendments/repeals will have any long-term beneficial economic effect on the public, other than assisting the certificated carriers to operate more efficiently.

5. The methods used by the agency in determining the impact on a small business.

The Nevada Taxicab Authority ("TA") sent an Amended Notice of Industry Comment Session to Solicit Comments on Amending/Repealing Regulations to the Clark County taxicab industry on December 30, 2024, and during the comment session on January 15, 2025, the TA hand delivered the small business impact statements to the attendees asking whether these proposed regulations would impose a direct and significant economic burden upon them. Again, on February 24, 2025, the Nevada Taxicab Authority held another Industry Comment Session to Solicit Comments on Amending/Repealing Regulations and Discussion of Small Business Impact and again, passed out the small business impact statements to the attendees asking whether these proposed regulations would impose a direct and significant economic burden upon them. During the Board Workshops on March 19 and again on April 16, 2025, the industry again was asked to complete the Small Business Impact statements, asking whether these proposed regulations would impose a direct and significant economic burden upon them. The Nevada Taxicab Authority collected the completed responses during each of the 4 sessions. To date, the Nevada Taxicab Authority has not received any written responses reporting that the proposed regulations would significantly impair the ability of small businesses to operate, form and/or expand. These small businesses also have had an opportunity to address whether the proposed regulations would negatively impact them during the 2 informal comment sessions and during the 2 Workshops held March 19, 2025, and again on April 16, 2025. During all 4 of the meetings, no attendee made any statement claiming a negative business impact. Small businesses will have another opportunity to make a statement regarding what negative impact, if any, the proposed regulations may create for them during the Board's public hearing of its Notice of Intent to Act Upon Temporary Regulations scheduled May 21, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 400, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

The agency does not have costs associated with the establishment of these regulations coinciding with the proposed changes to NAC 706. Notice of the changes will be served upon the industry.

- 7. A description of and citation to any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency.
- 8. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law.

The proposed regulations/amendments/repeals are not required by federal law.

9. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

The proposed regulations/amendments/repeals do not include such provisions.

10. Whether the proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.

Yes, in one change to an existing regulation, an amendment to increase an existing fee. The fee had not been updated since 1988 and the industry is aware of the proposed increase and has not objected to it.

A copy of this notice and the regulations to be Adopted/Amended/Repealed will be on file at the State Library, Archives and Public Records, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulations to be Adopted/Amended/Repealed will be available at the office of the Nevada Taxicab Authority, 2090 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 and at its website: www.tax.nv.gov, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulations/amendments/repeals are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulations/amendments/repeals will also be mailed to members of the public at no charge upon request and was sent to all persons on the Taxicab Authority's email and mailing list for administrative regulations and posted on or before 9 a.m. thirty days before the meeting at the following locations:

- State of Nevada Taxicab Authority, 2090 E. Flamingo Road, Suite 200, Las Vegas, NV 89119
 - Las Vegas City Hall, 495 S. Main Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101
 - Clark County Commissioners, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
 - 1 Nevada Way Capitol Police, Las Vegas, NV 89101
 - Nevada Taxicab Authority Website www.taxi.state.nv.us
 - State of Nevada Website https://notice.nv.gov
 - Nevada Legislature Administrative Regulation Notices at https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/
 - Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 N. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV

Upon adoption of any regulation/amendment/repeal, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.