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ITEM #3

**BOARD OF TAXICAB COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES
Thursday, April 18, 2024
9:00 AM**

CONVENED

The Board of Taxicab Commissioners convened a regular meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 9:26 AM in Los Angeles, CA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Item No. 1 – Welcome

President Colaiace called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present noting that those wishing to testify before the Board must fill out a speaker's form and give it to the Commission Executive Assistant. He informed the audience that if anyone is a registered lobbyist, City ordinance requires that it should be indicated on the speaker's form. He also reminded everyone that this session is being broadcast on Council Phone, to speak into the microphone and to silence cell phones.

Item No. 2 – Roll Call

Present: President Andre Colaiace, Commissioners Steven Welliver, and Mary Galvan Rosas; Jarvis Murray (Taxicab Administrator); Michael Nagle and Kevin Dufner, Deputy City Attorneys (DCA).

Absent: Tomas Carranza, Assistant General Manager, and Vice President Eric Spiegelman.

Item No. 3 – Minutes

Commissioner Galvan Rosas moved, seconded Commissioner Steven Welliver to approve the Minutes of March 21, 2024. Unanimously APPROVED.

Item No. 4 – Communications

President Colaiace asked Mr. Jarvis Murray if he had any communications. Mr. Murray said there was a brief discussion regarding the change of access to the Los Angeles World Airport (LAWA). LAWA has sent a survey to taxicab drivers to get their feedback on the changes. The LAWA access changes are not on the agenda today. We will likely have it on the agenda next month. LAWA is looking into this issue after we let them know we wanted a discussion about the changes. Our investigator has given you all a copy of the survey LAWA sent to all drivers that access the airport. LAWA is doing due diligence regarding the access changes.

Commissioner Galvan Rosas asked who received the survey and who was the target audience? Mr. Murray said the target audience are the drivers accessing the airport, which is a couple 100 vehicles. Anyone who is coming in and out the airport can access the survey there. The survey is being handed out by ATS.

Item No. 5 – Commission Business

No commission business provided.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMENT

No comments provided.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were taken.

Comments, questions, and answers were provided.

President Colaiace moved to enter Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Welliver. Unanimously APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**Item No. 7 – Continuance Appeal of Steven Martinez, Concerning the Department’s January 23, 2024, Decision to Deny his Taxicab Driver Application, Pursuant to Taxicab Rulebook Section 600, Rules 608 & 615**

Joe Richard II, Senior Transportation Investigator, presented the report.

Appellant Steven Martinez was present and addressed the Board. He explained his disqualifying conviction history.

President Andre Colaiace stated that he was inclined to approve the appeal.

President Andre Colaiace moved, seconded by Commissioner Mary Galvan Rosas to approve the appeal. Unanimously APPROVED.

President Andre Colaiace moved to get out of Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Steven Welliver. Unanimously APPROVED.

Deputy City Attorney Michael Nagle reported for the record the appeal for Item No. 6 was granted.

ADJOURNMENT – PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.7

With no further business before the Board of Taxicab Commissioners, President Colaiace moved, seconded by Commissioner Welliver to adjourn the meeting. Unanimously APPROVED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM

Approved: 07/18/2024
Board of Taxicab Commissioners
Ailana Aguirre
Commission Executive Assistant