Date: April 9, 2020

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

From: Seleta J. Reynolds, General Manager

Subject: RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION OF GO GREEN AMBULANCE CORP FOR TWO UNRESTRICTED PRIVATE AMBULANCE VEHICLE PERMITS

RECOMMENDATIONS

That your Board:

a. Find that for Go Green Ambulance Corp based upon evidence of patients in need of transportation; public convenience and necessity, requires the operation of two unrestricted private ambulance vehicles.

b. Grant two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits to Go Green Ambulance Corp contingent upon:

1. The applicant filing with the Department in such form as the Department requires and thereafter, keeping in full force and effect a policy of automobile liability insurance acceptable to the City Attorney and the City Risk Manager;

2. The drivers and attendants obtaining the required permits;

3. The applicant obtaining commercial or exempt registration for the vehicles;

4. The vehicles passing Department inspection;

5. The applicant complying with all Board rules and regulations and City ordinances pertaining to the operation of private ambulance vehicles;

6. The applicant charging only those rates for private ambulance vehicle service as set forth in Board Order No. 606 (Ordinance No. 185,210) and successor regulations; and

7. The vehicles must be placed into service within 120 days after the Board of Transportation Commissioners (Board) approval or such authority shall become invalid. Upon written request and for good cause, the Department, in its discretion, may grant an extension of time beyond the initial 120-day period after Board approval. Any request for an extension beyond the initial deadline date must be received prior to the 120-day deadline. Furthermore, if an extension is granted, only one extension may be
allowed per application.

INITIATED BY

On October 29, 2019, the Department received an application requesting two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits from Yaniv Abohzira, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Go Green Ambulance Corp, located at 7111 Winnetka Avenue, Suite 6, Winnetka, California 91306 (Attachment 1). On March 12, 2020, Mr. Abohzira submitted the additional documents needed to complete the application.

DISCUSSION

Go Green Ambulance Corp is not currently authorized by the Board to operate any type of vehicle for hire in the City of Los Angeles.

The history of Go Green Ambulance Corp’s business is as follows: On November 26, 2018, Articles of Incorporation were filed with the California Secretary of State establishing Go Green Ambulance Corp (Attachment 2). On December 5, 2018, a Statement of Information (Domestic Stock and Agricultural Cooperative Corporations) was filed with the California Secretary of State naming Yaniv Abohzira as Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and naming Nathalie Waser as Secretary of the company (Attachment 3). Yaniv Abohzira is the sole owner of Go Green Ambulance Corp.

Public Convenience and Necessity

The application of Go Green Ambulance Corp was evaluated against Section 2 of the Guidelines for Establishing Public Convenience and Necessity as established by the Board on August 11, 2005 for applicants with no unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits (Attachment 4).

a. Experience – The applicant submitted the resume of Mr. Chance Roundtree. From November 2018 through January 2020, Mr. Roundtree was the General Manager of College Coastal Care. Since January 2020 to present, Mr. Roundtree is the General Manager for Go Green Ambulance Corp. His resume states that he recruits and terminates employees, prepares documents required by the County of Los Angeles, creates schedules to cover all shifts, and delegates responsibilities to emergency medical technicians and emergency medical dispatcher.

b. Background Check – A background check of the owners and general manager of Go Green Ambulance Corp was submitted to the Department of Justice Criminal Background Check and was found not to have any disqualifying criminal history as listed in Board Order No. 600.

c. Financial Capability – The applicant submitted the Department of Motor Vehicle’s registration for one of the two unrestricted private ambulance vehicles that are ready to be placed into service within 120 days. The applicant also submitted financial documents demonstrating sufficient liquid assets to support the request for two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits.

d. Reason for Requesting Permits – Go Green Ambulance Corp is requesting for two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits because there is a need within the City of Los Angeles (City) for timely and affordable ambulance transportation. In addition, they have been contacted by several healthcare facilities requesting their service.

e. Description of Public Benefit – The applicant states that the residents and healthcare providers in the City will benefit from the addition of their transportation resources by way of more timely
transportation responses and shorter response times.

f. **Impact on Existing Transportation Providers** – The applicant states that because of the shortage of ambulance resources in the City, there will be no impact on the existing service providers by the issuance of two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits to Go Green Ambulance Corp.

g. **Business Plan** – The applicant submitted a business plan including the days and hours of operation, dispatching procedure, emergency procedure, and employee training procedure. The hours of operation for the transportation service are 24 hours per day and seven days per week.

There is no documented evidence of illegal operation by Go Green Ambulance Corp in the City of Los Angeles in the past 12 months.

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Attachments