# BOARD REPORT CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date:

June 13, 2024

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To:

**Board of Transportation Commissioners** 

From:

Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager

Subject:

RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION OF MEDI TRANSP, INC FOR THREE

**UNRESTRICTED NON-AMBULATORY PASSENGER VEHICLE PERMITS** 

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

## That your Board:

- a. **Find** that Medi Transp, Inc based upon evidence of patients in need of transportation; public convenience and necessity, requires the operation of three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicles.
- b. **Grant** three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits to Medi Transp, Inc 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 non-ambulatory passenger vehicles;
  - 6. The applicant charging only those rates for non-ambulatory passenger vehicle service as set forth in Board Order No. 608 (Ordinance No. 187587) 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 November 14, 2023, the Department received an application from Luis Noe Mendoza, Owner of Medi Transp, Inc, 20929 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 47-448, Woodland Hills, California 91364, requesting three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits for wheelchair vans service (Attachment 1). On April 9, 2024, the Department received the documents needed to complete the application. On April 30, 2024, the background check documents were cleared to proceed with the application process.

## **DISCUSSION**

Medi Transp, Inc is not currently authorized by the Board to operate any vehicles for hire in the City of Los Angeles.

The history of Medi Transp, Inc's business is as follows: On July 31, 2017, the Articles of Incorporation of a General Stock Corporation were filed with the California Secretary of State establishing Medi Transp, Inc (Attachment 2). On May 31, 2023, the Statement of Information was filed with the California Secretary of State naming Luis Noe Mendoza as the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary of the company (Attachment 3). Luis Noe Mendoza is the sole shareholder of the company.

# Public Convenience and Necessity

The application of Medi Transp, Inc 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 non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits (Attachment 4).

- a. Experience The applicant submitted the resume of Operations Manager Ana Maria Campos. The applicant states that Ms. Campos is the Operations Manager for Medi Transp, Inc from November 2018 to present. Her resume states that she is responsible for policies and procedures, vehicles maintenance, hiring, payroll, training drivers, managing drivers' schedule, and dispatch operations.
- b. <u>Background Check</u> The background checks were conducted on the owner and operations manager of Medi Transp, Inc and no disqualifying criminal history were found as listed in Board Order No. 600.
- c. <u>Financial Capability</u> The applicant submitted financial documentation showing that the company demonstrates sufficient liquid assets to support the request for three unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits.
- d. <u>Hours of Operation</u> The regular hours of operation for transportation service are 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

There is no documented evidence of illegal operation by Medi Transp, Inc in the City of Los Angeles in the past 12 months.

B24-005.kj = Attachments

Approved:\_\_\_\_\_

Board of Transportation Commissioners

Commission Executive Assistant