


BOARD REPORT  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: November 14, 2024 P7X

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

From: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager 

Subject: **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF APPLICATION OF CITYWIDE AMBULANCE LLC FOR TWO UNRESTRICTED PRIVATE AMBULANCE VEHICLE PERMITS**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board:

- a. **Find** that Citywide Ambulance LLC 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 Citywide Ambulance LLC 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 ambulance service as set forth in Board Order No. 609 (Ordinance No. 187588) 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 August 8, 2024, the Department received an application from Zohrab Grigoryan, Chief Executive Officer of Citywide Ambulance LLC, 2128 South Atlantic Boulevard, Commerce, California 90040, requesting for two unrestricted private ambulance vehicle permits (Attachment 1). On October 31, 2024, the company submitted the final documents needed to complete the application.

**DISCUSSION**

Citywide Ambulance LLC is not currently authorized by the Board to operate any vehicles for hire in the City of Los Angeles.

The history of Citywide Ambulance LLC's business is as follows: On September 12, 2021, Articles of Organization of a Limited Liability Company were filed with the California Secretary of State establishing Citywide Ambulance LLC (Attachment 2). On September 4, 2024, the Statement of Information (Limited Liability Company) was filed with the California Secretary of State naming the members of the company as Zohrab Grigoryan and Vladimir Grigoryan (Attachment 3). Zohrab Grigoryan and Vladimir Grigoryan are the owners of the company.

Public Convenience and Necessity

The application of Citywide Ambulance LLC 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 Giovanni Chirella as the General Manager for the following companies: Citywide Ambulance LLC from June 2023 to present, Coastal Care LLC from November 2018 to March 2020, and All Town Ambulance LLC from August 2014 to February 2019. His resume states that he oversees field operations, manages billing, hiring, training, scheduling, and dispatching.
- b. Background Check – The background checks were conducted on the owners and general manager of Citywide Ambulance LLC and no disqualifying criminal history were found as listed in Board Order No. 600.
- c. Financial Capability – The applicant submitted the financial documentation showing that the company demonstrates sufficient liquid assets to support the request for two private ambulance vehicle permits.
- d. Hours of Operation – The regular hours of operation for transportation service are 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days in a year.

There is no documented evidence of illegal operation by Citywide Ambulance LLC in the City of Los Angeles in the past 12 months.