BOARD REPORT
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Date: November 19, 2026 P7X

To: Board of Transportation Commissioners

From: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager
Department of Transportation

Subject: **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION OF WECARE MEDICAL TRANSPORT LLC FOR ONE UNRESTRICTED NON-AMBULATORY PASSENGER VEHICLE PERMIT AND ONE UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE PERMIT**

**SUMMARY**

On August 6, 2026, the Department received an application from Romeo Quiapo Flores, Jr., owner of WeCare Medical Transport LLC, 4700 Easton Drive, Suite 7, Bakersfield, California 93309, requesting one unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permit for gurney services and one unrestricted public transportation vehicle permit (Attachment 1).

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board:

a. **FIND** that WeCare Medical Transport LLC based upon evidence of patients in need of transportation, public convenience and necessity, requires the operation of one unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle and one unrestricted public transportation vehicle (PTV).

b. **AUTHORIZE** one unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permit and one PTV permit to WeCare Medical Transport 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 vehicle and PTV;

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.

c. **IMPOSE** a one-year probationary period.

**BACKGROUND**

The history of WeCare Medical Transport LLC's business is as follows: On December 12, 2021, the Articles of Organization were filed with the California Secretary of State establishing WeCare Medical Transport LLC (Attachment 2). On January 7, 2026, the Statement of Information was filed with the California Secretary of State naming Romeo Q. Flores, Jr. as the Member and Chief Executive Officer of the company (Attachment 3). Romeo Q. Flores, Jr. is the sole owner of the company.

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

**DISCUSSION**

The application of WeCare Medical Transport 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 non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permits (Attachment 4).

a. Experience – The applicant submitted the resume of Romeo Q. Flores, Jr. The applicant states that Mr. Flores is the Owner and Chief Executive Officer of WeCare Medical Transport LLC from December 2021 to present. His resume states that he is responsible for overseeing the company's operations, from recruiting, training, scheduling and dispatching drivers to managing the company's budget, payroll, accounts receivable, vendor negotiation, insurance, and regulatory compliance.

b. Background Check – The background check was conducted on the Owner and Operations Manager of WeCare Medical Transport LLC and no disqualifying criminal history was found as listed in Board Order No. 600.

c. Financial Capability – The applicant submitted financial documentation showing that the company demonstrates sufficient liquid assets to support the request for one unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permit and one public transportation vehicle permit.

d. Hours of Operation – The regular hours of operation for transportation service are 4 AM to 9 PM Monday to Saturday; 7 AM to 7 PM on Sunday.

WeCare Medical Transport LLC currently does not hold an unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permit or a public transportation vehicle permit with the City. On July 1, 2026, WeCare Medical Transport LLC was observed operating illegally with an unpermitted driver and an unpermitted wheelchair vehicle to pick up a wheelchair patient from USC Keck Hospital, 1500 San Pablo Street, Los Angeles, California 90033, and the unpermitted driver was arrested for this violation. WeCare Medical Transport LLC's driver was found in violation of LAMC § 71.02(a) Unpermitted Vehicle, and LAMC § 71.03(b) Unpermitted Driver. While this case was remanded to the Superior Court and subsequently dismissed, staff recommends that a one-year probationary period be imposed on the company should vehicle authority be granted. If the company is found in violation of any rules, regulations, laws or statutes of the City, County, or State within the probationary period, it shall result in the revocation of all authorities without any further action from the Board.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

There is no impact to the general fund.

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Attachments:

1. Company letter
2. Articles of Organization
3. Statement of Information
4. Guidelines

# WeCare MEDICAL TRANSPORT LLC

4700 Easton Drive #7
Bakersfield, CA 93309
661-703-3297

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August 20, 2026

Board of Transportation Commissioners
Los Angeles Department of Transportation
100 South Main Street, 1st Floor MS 725
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Board of Transportation Commissioners,

WeCare Medical Transport LLC would like to apply for one unrestricted non-ambulatory passenger vehicle permit for a gurney van and one unrestricted public transportation vehicle permit to be able to legally serve our clients in the City of Los Angeles.

WeCare Medical Transport LLC is located at 4700 Easton Drive #7, Bakersfield, CA 93309, with telephone number of 661-703-3297, and email of WeCare0305@yahoo.com.

The sole owner and operations manager is: Romeo Quiapo Flores Jr., (661) 703-3297, WeCare0305@yahoo.com.

The following are documents submitted with this application package:

1. Application for Vehicle Permit Forms and DMV Registrations,
2. Application Fees,
3. Financial Documents,
4. Business Name and Business Information,
5. Business Tax Registration Certificate, and
6. Resume of the Operations Manager.

We look forward to operating within the City of Los Angeles and are happy to provide any supplemental documentation needed to verify compliance with local regulations. Please direct all correspondence and future communications to our headquarters at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

**Romeo Quiapo Flores, Jr.**
Owner/Manager
Email: wecare0305@yahoo.com
Phone Number: 661-703-3297

**ATTACHMENT 1**

# California Secretary of State
Electronic Filing

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Secretary of State
State of California

## LLC Registration – Articles of Organization

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| Entity Name: | WeCare Medical Transport LLC |
| Entity (File) Number: | 202134910452 |
| File Date: | 12/12/2021 |
| Entity Type: | Domestic LLC |
| Jurisdiction: | California |

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Detailed Filing Information

1. Entity Name: WeCare Medical Transport LLC

2. Business Addresses:
   a. Initial Street Address of Designated Office in California: 5400 Kinnett Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93313, United States
   b. Initial Mailing Address: 5400 Kinnett Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93313, United States

3. Agent for Service of Process: Romeo Q Flores Jr, 5400 Kinnett Avenue, Bakersfield California 93313, United States

4. Management Structure: One Manager

5. Purpose Statement: The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the California Revised Uniform Limited Liability Company Act.

Electronic Signature:

The organizer affirms the information contained herein is true and correct.

Organizer: Romeo Q Flores, Jr.

**ATTACHMENT 2**

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
*Office of the Secretary of State*
**STATEMENT OF INFORMATION**
**LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**
California Secretary of State
1500 11th Street
Sacramento, California 95814
(916) 657-5448

For Office Use Only
**-FILED-**
File No.: BA20260049859
Date Filed: 1/7/2026

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Entity Details

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| Limited Liability Company Name | WECARE MEDICAL TRANSPORT LLC |
| Entity No. | 202134910452 |
| Formed In | CALIFORNIA |

Street Address of Principal Office of LLC

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| Principal Address | 4700 EASTON DR<br>STE 7<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309-9428 |

Mailing Address of LLC

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| Mailing Address | 5400 KINNETT AVE<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313-9588 |
| Attention | ROMEO Q FLORES JR |

Street Address of California Office of LLC

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| Street Address of California Office | 5400 KINNETT AVE<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313-9588 |

Manager(s) or Member(s)

| Manager or Member Name | Manager or Member Address |
|---|---|
| Romeo Q Flores Jr | 5400 KINNETT AVE<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313 |

Agent for Service of Process

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| Agent Name | ROMEO QUIAPO FLORES JR |
| Agent Address | 5400 KINNETT AVE<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313-9588 |

Type of Business

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| Type of Business | NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION |

Email Notifications

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| Opt-in Email Notifications | Yes, I opt-in to receive entity notifications via email. |

Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

| CEO Name | CEO Address |
|---|---|
| Romeo Quiapo Flores Jr | 5400 KINNETT AVE<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93313-9588 |

Labor Judgment

No Manager or Member, as further defined by California Corporations Code section 17702.09(a)(8), has an outstanding final judgment issued by the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement or a court of law, for which no appeal is pending, for the violation of any wage order or provision of the Labor Code.

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**ATTACHMENT 3**

Electronic Signature

☒ By signing, I affirm under penalty of perjury that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized by California law to sign.

*Romeo Q Flores, Jr*
Signature

*01/07/2026*
Date

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# GUIDELINES FOR ESTABLISHING PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR NON-AMBULATORY PASSENGER VEHICLE PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AUGUST 11, 2005.

The applicant for Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits shall have the burden of proof to establish by clear and convincing evidence that public convenience and necessity requires the operation of additional non-ambulatory passenger vehicles. In addition to the information required by Section 71.13 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, such evidence should include, but not be limited to the following:

1. Applicants Who Presently Hold Unrestricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits

   a. Background Check - The applicant must submit to a Department of Justice Criminal Background Check for all majority owners, management officials and supervisors at the time of application. Any majority owners, management officials and supervisors with criminal history listed in Board Order No. 600 shall be disqualified.

      For all permitted companies, should any change in owners, management officials, or supervisors occur, they must be fingerprinted by the Department within 30 days of the change or the Department shall revoke the company's permits. If a company does not replace a majority owner, management official or supervisor when the Department of Justice reports any criminal history in violation of the above Board Orders, the Department shall revoke the company's permits.

      Revised BOTC October 6, 2005

   b. Financial Capability- The applicant must provide proof of financial ability to acquire, equip and place the requested vehicles into service within 120 days:

      The applicant must submit proof of ownership of the vehicle(s) (DMV registration) to be permitted, or submit evidence of an additional $5,000 in liquid assets (bank statement) for each vehicle, with a tentative lease agreement, purchase agreement or vehicle conversion order which shows the delivery date for each vehicle.

   c. A statement explaining the reason for requesting additional permits.

   d. A description of how the public will benefit from the additional vehicles.

   e. A description of the impact of the proposed service on existing transportation providers.

**ATTACHMENT 4**

2. Applicants with No Unrestricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits **(NOTE: NO MORE THAN THREE PERMITS WILL BE GRANTED TO EACH APPLICANT)**

a. Experience - The applicant must be able to submit proof that they or their full-time managerial staff have:

(1) At least one (1) year operating a non-ambulatory passenger transportation service in California, OR

(2) At least two (2) years experience in managing transportation fleet operations, OR

(3) At least two (2) years experience in medical transportation administration in California or in a region with equivalent standards.

b. Background Check - The applicant must submit to a Department of Justice Criminal Background Check for all majority owners, management officials and supervisors at the time of application. Any majority owners, management officials and supervisors with criminal history listed in Board Order No. 600 shall be disqualified.

For all permitted companies, should any change in owners, management officials, or supervisors occur, they must be fingerprinted by the Department within 30 days of the change or the Department shall revoke the company's permits. If a company does not replace a majority owner, management official or supervisor when the Department of Justice reports any criminal history in violation of the above Board Orders, the Department shall revoke the company's permits.

Revised BOTC October 6, 2005

c. Financial Capability - The applicant must provide proof of financial ability to acquire, equip and place the requested vehicles into service within 120 days:

The applicant must have a current balance sheet (bank statement) showing evidence of at least $20,000 in liquid assets; and,

The applicant must submit proof of ownership of the vehicle(s) (DMV registration) to be permitted, or submit evidence of an additional $5,000 in liquid assets (bank statement) for each vehicle, with a tentative lease agreement, purchase agreement or vehicle conversion order which shows the delivery date for each vehicle.

| Number of Permits | Base Liquid Assets Required | Additional Liquid Assets Required for Non-Owned Vehicle | Total Liquid Assets Required |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | $20,000 | $5,000 | $25,000 |
| 2 | $20,000 | $10,000 | $30,000 |
| 3 | $20,000 | $15,000 | $35,000 |

Revised BOTC November 18, 2004

d. A statement explaining the reason for requesting permits.

e. A description of the impact of the proposed service on existing transportation providers.

f. A description of how the public will benefit from the proposed service.

g. A business plan identifying potential customers, customer volumes, expenses, projected revenues, sources of revenue (include Medi-Cal provider number), staffing of operations, and driver training and operational standards (personnel policies).

3. Applicants For Restricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits to Serve Private Contracts

a. Description of the length and type of experience the applicant or their managerial staff have in:

   i. Operating a non-ambulatory passenger transportation service.
   ii. Managing transportation fleet operations.
   iii. Medical transportation administration.

b. A copy of the contract(s) for the facility(ies) the applicant is to serve.

c. Background Check - The applicant must submit to a Department of Justice Criminal Background Check for all majority owners, management officials and supervisors at the time of application. Any majority owners, management officials and supervisors with criminal history listed in Board Order No. 600 shall be disqualified.

   For all permitted companies, should any change in owners, management officials, or supervisors occur, they must be fingerprinted by the Department within 30 days of the change or the Department shall revoke the company's permits. If a company does not replace a majority owner, management official or supervisor when the Department of Justice reports any criminal history in violation of the above Board Orders, the Department shall revoke the company's permits.

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d. Financial Capability - The applicant must provide proof of financial ability to acquire, equip and place the requested vehicles into service within 120 days:

The applicant must have a current balance sheet (bank statement) showing evidence of at least $20,000 in liquid assets; and,

The applicant must submit proof of ownership of the vehicle(s) (DMV registration) to be permitted, or submit evidence of an additional $5,000 in liquid assets (bank statement) for each vehicle, with a tentative lease agreement, purchase agreement or vehicle conversion order which shows the delivery date for each vehicle.

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e. Description of how the public will benefit from the proposed service.

f. A description of the impact of the proposed service on existing transportation providers.

**However, vehicles authorized for such service shall be granted only restricted permits, can serve only the clients of the agency under the terms of the contract, and shall be permitted only for the duration of the contract.**

4. **EXCEPTION** - Restricted Non-Ambulatory Passenger Vehicle Permits to Serve Government Contracts

Applicants that submit a signed contract with a public agency or an agency authorized to make such contracts for the expenditure of public funds for non-ambulatory passenger transportation need not submit the above data. However, vehicles authorized for such service shall be granted only restricted permits, can serve only the clients of the agency under the terms of the contract, and shall be permitted only for the duration of the contract. No charges shall be paid to the grantee for this service other than that paid by the public agency.