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Agenda

SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

December 12, 2018

10:00 a.m.

James R. Mills Building
Board Meeting Room, 10th Floor
1255 Imperial Avenue, San Diego, 92101

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ACTION RECOMMENDED

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes – September 13, 2018
3. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Approve

The public may address the Committee regarding a matter not on the agenda. Each speaker has three minutes to speak. Give a completed *Request to Speak* form from the Clerk of the Committee.

4. Management and Committee Member Communications

Informational

Taxicab Administration Manager Kenneth Nelson, (verbal report)

- a) MTS Taxicab Administration 2018 Vehicle Inspection Round Results (attached)
- b) MTS Taxicab Administration 2019 Administrative Fee Schedule proposed revisions (attached)
- c) City of San Diego bicycle lane proposal for Sixth Avenue and relocation of taxicab stands.



5. Time Periods and Extensions relating to Permanent Replacement and Retirement of For Hire Vehicles

Approve

Action would forward a recommendation to the MTS Board of Directors to revise MTS Ordinance No. 11 accordingly to implement proposed changes to permanent replacement and retirement of for hire vehicles.

6. Next Meeting: TBD

7. Adjournment



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Agenda Item No. 4

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 12, 2018

SUBJECT:

MANAGEMENT AND COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

INFORMATIONAL ONLY:

Budget Impact

None.

DISCUSSION:

Management and Committee member communications will include:

Taxicab Administration Manager Kenneth Nelson, (verbal report)

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KENNEL', is written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth E. Nelson
Taxicab Administration Manager

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Attachment: A. 2018 Vehicle Inspection Round results
B. 2019 Administrative Fee Schedule proposed revisions





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Memorandum

DATE: November 30, 2018

TO: Kenneth Nelson, Taxicab Administration Manager

FROM: Leonardo Fewell, Regulatory Enforcement Supervisor

SUBJECT: 2018 Vehicle Inspection Round Results

The following are the vehicle inspection round results from January 22 to October 31, 2018. A total of 1,502 scheduled, permit issuance, replacement, return to service and field report vehicle inspections were performed.

The following are the scheduled vehicle inspection results for 2018:

Taxicabs:

Passed: 805

Failed: 9

Total: 814 **99% Pass Rate**

Nonemergency Medical Vehicles (NEM's):

Passed: 224

Failed: 0

Total: 224 **100% Pass Rate**

Charter Vehicles:

Passed: 18

Failed: 1

Total: 19 **95% Pass Rate**

Jitneys:

Passed: 7

Failed: 0

Total: 7 **100% Pass Rate**

Low-Speed Vehicles (LSV):

Passed: 6

Failed: 0

Total: 6 **100% Pass Rate**



Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is a California public agency and is comprised of San Diego Transit Corporation and San Diego Trolley, Inc. nonprofit public benefit corporations, in cooperation with Chula Vista Transit and National City Transit. MTS is the taxicab administrator for eight cities and the owner of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway Company.

MTS member agencies include: City of Chula Vista, City of Coronado, City of El Cajon, City of Imperial Beach, City of La Mesa, City of Lemon Grove, City of National City, City of Poway, City of San Diego, City of Santee, and the County of San Diego.

MTS TAXICAB ADMINISTRATION

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***PROPOSED* 20182019 FEE SCHEDULE**

TAXICAB AND OTHER FOR-HIRE VEHICLES AND DRIVERS

FEE AMOUNTS

1. **Annual Regulatory Fee per Vehicle** \$ 600
If not paid by 12:00 noon, ThursdayFriday, May 10, 20182019, the permit(s) is not renewed.

2. **Permit Application**
 - 2.1 Permit application, all except one-year transferable taxicab \$ 1,500
 - 2.1.1 Plus each permit in excess of one \$ 200
 - 2.1.2 Plus additional charge if applicant is a corporation \$ 300
 - 2.1.3 Initial permit issuance per vehicle regulatory fee
(in lieu of Item No. 1)
 - 2.1.4 If proprietor or executive officer has less than two
years as MTS/city permit holder 100% of Item No. 1 prorated
 - 2.1.5 If more than two years' experience 100% of Item No. 1 prorated
 - 2.2 Permit application, one-year transferable taxicab \$ 875
 - 2.2.1 Plus each permit in excess of one \$ 200
 - 2.2.2 Plus additional charge if applicant is a corporation \$ 200
 - 2.2.3 Initial permit issuance per vehicle regulatory fee
(in lieu of Item No. 1): See below
 - 2.2.4 If proprietor or executive officer has less than two
years as MTS/city permit holder 100% of Item No. 1 prorated
 - 2.2.5 If more than two years' experience 100% of Item No. 1 prorated

3. **Driver Training Class** Class/Test Fee \$30

PROPOSED ~~2018-2019~~ FEE SCHEDULE
Taxicab and Other For-Hire Vehicles and Drivers

4. **Operational Requests**

4.1	Transfer clearance	
4.1.1	Transfer clearance (one-year transferable taxicab permit)	\$ 200
4.1.2	Transfer clearance (five-year transferable taxicab permit)	\$ 250
4.2	Jitney route change or additional route request	\$ 250
4.3	Taxicab stand request or jitney zone, if installed	\$ 250
4.4	Fictitious name change	\$ 100
	Plus per-vehicle fee	\$ 10
4.5	Color scheme and radio service change	\$ 100
	Plus per-vehicle fee	\$ 10
4.6	Rate of fare filing per company	\$ 100
	Plus per-vehicle fee	\$ 10
4.7	Replacement vehicle (more than one per permit per year)	\$ 50
4.8	Add corporation officer (each)	\$ 100
4.9	Addition, deletion, or change of stockholder (each)	\$ 250

5. **Vehicle Inspection**

5.1	As a result of failing scheduled inspection	\$ 100
5.2	Reschedule inspection appointment with less than 24-hour notice	\$ 50
5.3	No-show for inspection appointment	\$ 100
5.4	Supplemental scheduled inspection (Out of Service)	\$ 100 50
5.5	Re-inspection pursuant to a 72-hour notice	\$ 50 25
5.6	MTS Regulated Vehicle Reflective Decals	\$ 10

6. **Radio-Dispatch Services**

6.1	Initial review of new <u>radio-dispatch</u> service organization	\$ 150
6.2	Name change	\$ 50

PROPOSED ~~2018-2019~~ FEE SCHEDULE
Taxicab and Other For-Hire Vehicles and Drivers

7. **Medallion and Permit Reassignment (same permit holder)**

- 7.1 Reassigning a permit from one existing vehicle to a different existing vehicle in the same company (doing business as {DBA}), or to a different existing company of the same permit holder, or permit type reassignment between existing or new vehicles in the same company (includes vehicle inspection). \$ 250
\$ -50

This does not apply to the replacement of an existing vehicle; i.e. when all permits are reassigned from an existing vehicle to a new vehicle. Replacement vehicle fees remain as stated in Item No. 4.7.

- 7.2 Permit transfer request from one person to a different person:
same as fee schedule Item No. 4.1. \$ 200

In addition, transferee pays fee schedule Item No. 2 (application fee) and Item No. 1 (initial regulatory fee) based on number of vehicles.

PAYMENT

- The ~~2018-2019~~ annual vehicle fee is due for each permit held as of January 1, ~~2018~~2019, irrespective of whether the permit is later transferred, abandoned, or revoked. The permit is considered not renewed if the fee is not paid by 12:00 noon on May 10, ~~2018~~2019.
- For permits issued after January 1, ~~2018~~2019, the initial regulatory fee is payable in full when the permit is issued.
- Other fees are due when the request is made.

BASIS FOR FEES

- These fees have been calculated to recover MTS's expenses for the administration and enforcement of taxicab and for-hire vehicle permit requirements and the processing of permit applications.

REFERENCES

- California Public Utilities Commission Section 120266
- ~~MTS Ordinance No. 11, Sections 1.3(b), 1.4(ba) and, 1.5(d), and 1.12(k)~~
- MTS Policy No. 34, Section 6

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Date

F-*PROPOSED* ~~2018-2019~~ FEE SCHED



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Agenda Item No. 5

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM TAXICAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 12, 2018

SUBJECT:

TIME PERIODS AND EXTENSIONS RELATING TO PERMANENT REPLACEMENT,
RETIREMENT OF FOR HIRE VEHICLES

RECOMMENDATION:

Action would forward a recommendation to the MTS Board of Directors to revise MTS Ordinance No. 11 accordingly to implement proposed changes to permanent replacement and retirement of for hire vehicles.

Budget Impact

None with this action.

DISCUSSION:

MTS vehicle permit holders have expressed interest in removing time period restrictions associated with the permanent replacement or retirement of for hire vehicles, as well as for the suspension or revocation of a permit in the event the time period deadlines are not observed (See MTS Ordinance No. 11, Sections 1.11(b), 1.11(d), and 1.13(a)(4)).

MTS Taxicab Administration proposes to instead allow the operating permit associated with the vehicle to remain valid so long as there are no lapses in the yearly payment of regulatory fees and the permit remains in good standing. This change would allow permit holders to, at their discretion, replace, retire, or place a vehicle back into service at any time. This change will further allow permit holders to develop their own operational business plans based on seasonal transportation needs, associated costs savings or personal preferences.

Additionally, permit holders who request to place an operating permit under replacement or retirement, must meet the following administrative requirements:




1. Annual regulatory fees are paid in full by the deadline each year and file an annual statement
2. To surrender a permit, a request must first be submitted
3. Before the vehicle can return to service, the permit holder must submit a written notice of intent to place the vehicle back into service, provide proof of new insurance/registration, a new dispatch subscription and then pass inspection
4. Permits voided as of January 1, 2018, or permits currently surrendered are eligible
5. Permit holders that had permits voided in 2018, must notify MTS no later than the close of business on March 15, 2019, if they wish to take advantage of this opportunity

Please be aware that a permit may be permanently revoked if the annual regulatory fee is not paid by the yearly deadline and/or the vehicle is operating without a medallion.

This regulation change would not apply to new permit issuances under MTS Ordinance No. 11, Section 13(a)(8) which states: "The permit holder fails to begin operating the for-hire vehicle for which the permit is first approved within ninety (90) days after the approval date"

On November 14, 2018, the Workshop on Regulatory Matters (WORM) Subcommittee discussed and supported the aforementioned revisions, pending final review from MTS legal staff.

MTS Ordinance No. 11 will be revised as necessary and appropriate to incorporate these changes. Changes to MTS Ordinance No.11 will likely be proposed to the MTS Board of Directors at the January 17, 2019 meeting.



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