



DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY
NEVADA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE January 11, 2019 ADOPTION HEARING

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Chairman Dawn Gibbons called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call

*Present in Las Vegas: Commissioner George Assad, Commissioner David Newton, Deputy Commissioner Jennifer De Rose, Administrative Attorney Mark Liapis, Applications Manager Liz Babcock, Deputy Attorney General Louis Csoka, Chief of Enforcement Jeremy Jones.
Present in Reno: Chairman Dawn Gibbons*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative Attorney Mark Liapis led a recital of the pledge.

4. Public Comment

Tony Clark, 24/7 Limousines, suggested several additions and changes to language submitted for approval. Will Tryon, Adventure Photo Tours and APT Limo Service read a statement regarding his opposition to several of the changes being considered.

5. Approval of Agenda

Approved 3-0

DISCUSSION ITEM / RULEMAKING ADOPTION

6. The Nevada Transportation Authority will consider adoption of regulations regarding the regulation of Charter Bus transportation within Nevada. The proposal has been designated as Docket 18-03028 by the Authority. Copies of the proposed regulations are available from the NTA and on its website at www.nta.nv.gov.

Commissioner Newton requested any public comments made earlier be included to facilitate further discussion. Lou Castro, Earth Limos/Earth Buses asked the Authority not to pass the regulations as he feels they will have a detrimental impact on the smaller operators. James Kent, Esquire offered a statement regarding the changes in definitions, application processes, passenger size and types of vehicles to be utilized. Will Tryon, offered his opinion regarding the paperwork required by the Authority. Glenn Grady, Vegas Black Car, objected to the proposed change from 16 to 24 passengers and objected to the adoption of the regulations. Robert

Winner, On Demand Sedan/Desert Cab, and Kimberly Maxson-Rushton, Livery Operators Association, each offered statements in support of the proposed changes. Ms. Rushton suggested some additional changes be made to the proposed regulations. Will Tryon, gave an additional statement. Tony Clark, offered an additional statement. James Kent, Esquire suggested possible deregulation. Jenna Randall, Luxury Limousines, asked several questions regarding original manufacture of vehicle and passenger size. Alessandro LaVecchia, V Trans, gave a lengthy statement in opposition to the proposed regulations, citing a change in passenger size will have a negative impact on smaller carriers and questioned the “grandfather” of current vehicles. Walter D. Amaya and Yordany Gonzalez, Vegas 1st Class, questioned the changes and asked for fair treatment. Lou Castro, Earth Limos/Earth Buses addressed the fear the smaller operators have when they speak up in public meetings. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Chairman Gibbons moved keeping the docket open until the February Agenda meeting to facilitate educating the current carriers on the effect the changes will have on their business. Commissioner Newton seconded.

Commissioner Assad moved to approve the docket as it stands. Motion failed.

*Motion to keep the docket open until the February Agenda meeting to facilitate educating the current carriers on the effect the changes will have on their business.
Approved 2-1 Commissioner Assad opposed*

7. Public Comment

none

8. Adjournment

No adjournment – docket remains open, to be continued at the February 2019 Agenda meeting.