

**METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE-DAVIDSON COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION LICENSING COMMISSION**

Minutes

April 21, 2026

The Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Transportation Licensing Commission (MTLC) met for its regular meeting on this date in the Sonny West Conference Center of the Howard Office Building. Present were Chair Pat McNally, Vice Chair Carol Westlake, Commissioners Carey Rogers, Annie Klaver, Juan Mera, Erica Penley, and Manaen Hall (7). Absent were Commissioners Ann Butterworth and Freddie Carr (2). Also present were NDOT staff members Richard Rooker, Amanda Mullins, Charity Cowan, Chantel Fleming, Stacy Ribaudo, Brent Schultz, and T.D. Schlafer, as well as Metro Legal advisors Erica Haber and Ann Mikkelsen.

Chair McNally called the meeting to order, then led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a reading of the Notice of Appeal Statement which outlined the right of appeal of MTLC decisions.

The Chair opened the floor for public comment from those gathered. At the June 22, 2023, MTLC meeting, a motion was approved to allow up to 8 (eight) individuals to speak for up to 2 (two) minutes each. Dane Breedlove and Chaz Barker contacted Commission staff prior to the meeting to request to speak but were not present in the room. Jeanette Barker and Kimberly Armstrong were present to speak regarding ET and SSV permit applications but deferred their time to the Annual Hearing. There were no further requests to speak.

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved approval of minutes from the previous meeting.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Items For Deferral

Director Rooker reported there were no items for deferral.

Consent Items

The following new company applications were submitted for Other Passenger Vehicles for Hire (OPVH):

▪ Gentlemen’s Chauffeur Services LLC–1 Permit ▪ JJYJ Enterprise Transport VIP LLC–1 Permit ▪ Zayn Transportation–1 Permit ▪ Tori Transportation–1 Permit ▪ Bella Limo Services LLC–1 Permit ▪ JRL Transportation LLC dba Nashville’s Private Driver –1 Permit ▪ De la Rosa Services LLC–1 Permit ▪ TLC Rides LLC–2 Permits ▪ Nashville Karaoke Rides LLC–1 Permit ▪ YS Executive Chauffeur LLC–1 Permit ▪ LTN Inc dba TWC Limo–1 Permit ▪ SONDY Black Car LLC–1 Permit ▪ Uber Fleet–2 Permits ▪ R&A Crown Mobility LLC–2 Permits ▪ Crown Lily Limo LLC–1 Permit ▪ Lavish Rides LLC–1 Permit ▪ LALO Transport–1 Permit ▪ Antioch Services LLC–1 Permit

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Penley moved to approve the submitted applications.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The following existing companies failed to timely submit an OPVH renewal application by the March 31st deadline and reapplied as a new company:

▪ Duke Limousine Company–1 Permit ▪ Nash 1 Transportation–1 Permit ▪ VROOM Transportation–1 Permit ▪ NOORI Transportation–1 Permit

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the submitted applications.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The following requests were submitted for OPVH modification of ownership:

- Haven Black LLC Removing Richard Otazu and Shelby Lueschen ▪ HC Deluxe Transportation LLC Removing Ana Delgado River and Carlos Pereg Magia and Adding Jeanet D. Rincon de Caldera

Commissioner Hall with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the submitted applications.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The following requests were submitted for OPVH change of name:

- Frank Transportation to Frank Transportation LLC dba Private Rides ▪ Nashville Executive Transportation to Guardian Transport & Courier

Commissioner Rogers with a second from Commissioner Penley moved to approve the submitted requests.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The following requests were submitted for OPVH change of address:

- Murfreesboro Limo Trans to 2234 Seahunter Ct ▪ Upscale Journey to 2510 Albion St ▪ Smooth Limo to 2429 Edencrest Dr ▪ SK Royal Transit LLC to 152 Jackson Alan Dr ▪ Eagle Limo Service to 7108 Silverwood Trail ▪ Bouh Limo to 2880 Evergreen Ridge Pt ▪ Harry David Limo Service LLC to 2001 Crystal Spring Ln ▪ Jude Luxury Service Car to 4420 Taylor Rd ▪ Jubilee Executive Car Service to 640 Spence Ln ▪ Nashville Executive Transportation to 1268 Big Swan Creek Rd ▪ Atmosphere Luxury Rides to 2334 Crown Hill Dr ▪ Barakzai Transportation to 1344 Cottage View Ln ▪ ZL VIP LLC to 3036 Orangery Dr ▪ BM Limo Service to 3320 Milbridge Dr ▪ Miamax Transportation Services to 2309 Tranquility Trail ▪ Music City Car Service to 2736 Bison Ct ▪ Nashville Luxe Rides LLC to 1504 Crystal Spring Ln ▪ Elevated Arrival LLC to 335 Sophia Rain Dr ▪ Yaz Luxury Transportation to 2 International Plaza ▪ Milenium Transportation Service LLC to 6830 Earlham Ct ▪ SL Services to 1625 Celebration Way ▪ Travel Services LLC to 4101 William Turner Pkwy ▪ Urban Ride to 5700 Crossings Blvd ▪ Nash 509 Limo Services to 1014 Watts Cir ▪ EBO Nashville Transportation LLC to 191 Oasis Dr ▪ Aziza LLC to 462 Dover Glen Dr ▪ Go Livery dba Ovizion LLC to 406 Royal Pkwy

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the submitted requests.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

The following requests were submitted for Entertainment Transportation (ET) change of address:

- Big Green Tractor Tours LLC to 1343 Lewis St ▪ Rowdy Bus to 1343 Lewis St ▪ B&T Transportation dba Party Bus Music City to 1343 Lewis St

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Hall moved to approve the submitted requests.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Emergency Wrecker Service Zones

Director Rooker provided a reminder that the deadline for applications for new emergency wrecker service zones is Friday, May 1, 2026, at noon.

Shared Urban Mobility Devices (SUMD)

T.D. Schlafer presented and requested approval of the Dockless SUMD RFQ GG000053. The RFQ was published on April 7, 2026, and is set to close on May 12, 2026. Mr. Schlafer answered questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Rogers with a second from Commissioner Klaver moved to approve the RFQ with an amendment to contain specific references to the prospective operators seeking coordination with Walk Bike Nashville, Bike Fun Nashville, BPAC, Greenways for Nashville, and WeGo.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Vice Chair Westlake arrived.

Entertainment Transportation (ET)

The Chair opened the Annual Hearing for the purpose of consideration of applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity. Jeanette Barker, Kimberly Armstrong, Mark Peterson, Heather Cormier, Brent Schultz, and Dominic with Nashville Karaoke Rides LLC spoke. A letter from Commissioner Ann Butterworth, who was not present, was read into the record by the Chair. With no further requests to speak, the Chair closed the Annual Hearing.

The Commission deliberated the number of ET vehicles required to meet the Public Convenience and Necessity as required by MCL 6.77.030 and MTLC Rules and Procedures 801.C.

6.77.030 - Findings—Issuance of certificate, renewal or additional permits.

A. The MTLC must make a prerequisite finding as to what number of entertainment transportation vehicle service providers and vehicles are required by the public convenience and necessity, in the metropolitan government area, before it may issue any new certificates of public convenience and necessity, renew any previously issued expiring certificates, or add any additional permitted vehicles to an existing certificate-holder's permitted fleet. Further, the MTLC must find that an applicant is fit, willing, and able to provide such service and to conform to the provisions of this chapter and the rules promulgated by the MTLC, before the MTLC may issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to a particular applicant. The certificate shall state the name and address of the applicant, the number of vehicles authorized upon such certificate and the date of issuance.

B. In making the above findings, the MTLC shall, at a minimum, take into consideration the number of entertainment transportation vehicles already in operation, whether existing service is adequate to meet the public need, or so great as to be exceeding the public need and unnecessarily adding to traffic congestion; the character, experience, financial condition and responsibility of the applicant, and such criteria as may be adopted by the MTLC in its rules.

MTLC Rules and Procedures Section 801 C

In making the finding for the award of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, the MTLC shall, at a minimum, take into consideration:

- 1) The number of ETV already in operation.
- 2) Adequacy of existing service to meet the public need.
- 3) The applicant's experience in the operation of an ETC and its vehicles.
- 4) The applicant's history of violations and/or citations of alcohol laws, noise violations, HUB Nashville complaints, and other non-compliant behavior.
- 5) The ability of the applicant to comply with the laws and regulations, including the equipment and service proposed to be furnished.
- 6) The applicant's financial responsibility and condition.
- 7) Safety of the public in the operational area.
- 8) The probable effect of increased service on local traffic conditions.
- 9) Traffic flow.
- 10) Compliance with existing noise ordinances.

The Chair reminded the Commission that at the ET Annual Meeting in April 2025, the optimal number of ET vehicles was set at 40. The Commission acknowledged that TCA 7-51-1008 prohibits a governmental entity from refusing to renew or revoking an ET permit except for good cause shown in an

administrative hearing or after six months of dormancy. The Commission also acknowledged the creation of MCL 6.78 Seated Sightseeing Vehicles, creating a separate category of regulation for SSV.

Director Rooker shared that since the prior year’s approval of 89 permits (39 ET, 50 SSV), Grey Lion LLC (2 ET, 1 SSV) and Extreme Experience LLC (1 ET) did not apply to renew, resulting in 85 permits remaining (36 ET, 49 SSV).

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Klaver moved to set 40 as the optimal number of ET permits based on demonstrated Public Convenience and Necessity. Prior to the vote, Commissioner Penley withdrew the motion.

Commissioner Klaver moved to set 41 as the optimal number of ET permits based on demonstrated Public Convenience and Necessity. There was no second. The motion failed.

After additional discussion, Vice Chair Westlake with a second from Commissioner Penley moved to set 17 as the optimal number of ET permits based on demonstrated Public Convenience and Necessity.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the renewal applications for the following existing companies requesting no change to their current permits:

- Big Green Tractor Tours LLC (1 ET permit)
- Cloud Rides LLC dba Big Drag Bus (2 ET permits)
- Hell On Wheels Nashville (2 ET permits)
- Honky Tonk Party Express (12 ET permits)
- Music City Party Fire Engine LLC (1 ET permit)
- Barefoot Entertainment LLC dba Nashville Party Barge (2 ET permits)
- B&T Transportation dba Party Bus Music City (2 ET permits)
- AJay’s Enterprise LLC dba Party Central Nashville (1 ET permit)
- Rowdy Bus (2 ET permits)
- Nomadic Genius LLC dba Tasty Tour (1 ET permit)
- Nashville Ultimate Party Bus LLC (1 ET permit)
- Tan Assets LLC dba The Nashville Tractor (3 ET permits)
- TN Transport Service LLC dba Joyride (2 ET permits)

ACTION: Approved 6-0

Vice Chair Westlake with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve renewal permits for Party ‘N Ride Nashville LLC (1 ET permit), Upstage Party Bus (2 ET permits), YeeHaw Party Bus (1 ET permit).

ACTION: Approved 6-0

Commissioner Rogers with a second from Commissioner Penley moved to deny requests for additional permits to Party ‘N Ride Nashville LLC, Upstage Party Bus, and YeeHaw Party Bus.

ACTION: Denied 6-0

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to deny new company applications for Music City Mafia LLC (requesting 1 ET permit) and Nashville Picturesque (requesting 2 ET permits).

ACTION: Denied 6-0

The application for Nashville Adventures was incorrectly filed by the applicant in the ET category and was moved for consideration to the SSV Annual Hearing.

Seated Sightseeing Vehicles (SSV)

The Chair opened the Annual Hearing for the purpose of consideration of applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity. Paul Whitten, Parris McKinney, Patrick Kludac, Heather Cormier, Michael Winters, and Richmond Ross spoke. With no further requests to speak, the Chair closed the Annual Hearing.

The Commission deliberated the number of SSV required to meet the Public Convenience and Necessity as required by MCL 6.78.030 and MTLC Rules and Procedures 1000.B.

6.78.030 - Findings-Issuance of certificate or additional permits.

A. The MTLC must make an annual finding as to what number of seated sightseeing service providers and vehicles are required by the public convenience and necessity, in Nashville and Davidson County, before it may issue any new certificates of public convenience and necessity, renew any previously issued expiring certificates, or add any additional permitted vehicles to an existing certificate holder's permitted fleet. Further, the MTLC must find that the applicant is fit, willing, and able to provide such service and to conform to the provisions of this chapter and the rules promulgated by the MTLC, before the MTLC may issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity. The certificate shall state the name and address of the applicant, the number of vehicles authorized upon such certificate, and the date of issuance.

B. In making the above findings, the MTLC shall, at a minimum, take into consideration the number of seated sightseeing vehicles already in operation, whether existing service is adequate to meet the public need, whether adding additional seated sightseeing vehicles unnecessarily adds to traffic congestion, the character, experience, financial condition and responsibility of the applicant, and such other criteria as may be adopted by the MTLC in its rules.

MTLC Rules and Procedures Section 1000 B

In making the finding for the award of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, the MTLC shall, at a minimum, take into consideration:

- 1) The number of SSV already in operation.
- 2) Adequacy of existing service to meet the public need.
- 3) The applicant's experience in the operation of an SSV.
- 4) The applicant's history of violations and/or citations of alcohol laws, noise violations, HUB Nashville complaints, and other non-compliant behavior.
- 5) The ability of the applicant to comply with the laws and regulations, including the equipment and service proposed to be furnished.
- 6) The applicant's financial responsibility and condition.
- 7) Safety of the public in the operational area.
- 8) The probable effect of increased service on local traffic conditions.
- 9) Traffic flow.
- 10) Compliance with existing noise ordinances.

After some discussion, Vice Chair Westlake with a second Commissioner Penley moved to set 23 as the optimal number of SSV permits based on demonstrated Public Convenience and Necessity.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Klaver moved to remove the request to renew by Ultimate Party Bus LLC (2 SSV permits) from the list of companies requesting no change.

ACTION: Approved 6-0

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Vice Chair Westlake moved to approve the renewal applications for the following existing companies requesting no change to their current permits:

- Flanagan Tours LLC dba Xperience Nashville (1 SSV permit)
- Hell On Wheels Nashville (1 SSV permit)
- Honky Tonk Party Express (5 SSV permits)
- RLCL Acquisition LLC dba Gray Line Tennessee (9 SSV permits)
- NashTrash Tours Inc (1 SSV permit)
- Old Town Trolley Tours of Nashville (18 SSV permits)
- Music City Rollin Jamboree (1 SSV permit)
- TN Transport Holdings LLC dba Cruzzin Nashville (4 SSV permits)
- TN Transport Service LLC dba Joyride (4 SSV permits)

ACTION: Approved 6-0

The Chair called for a 5-minute break.

Commissioner Mera left the meeting.

The Chair called the meeting back to order.

Commissioner Rogers with a second from Vice Chair Westlake moved to approve the request by Redneck Comedy Tour LLC for an additional SSV permit, bringing their total to 3 SSV permits.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Penley moved to approve the request by Extreme Experience LLC for an additional SSV permit, bringing their total to 2 SSV permits.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Heather Cormier, representative of Nashville Ultimate Party Bus LLC, was placed under oath. Ms. Cormier confirmed it was her intent to surrender 2 SSV permits, recognizing that the Commission was otherwise required to renew them under TCA 7-51-1008.

Commissioner Penley with a second from Vice Chair Westlake moved to accept the surrender of 2 SSV permits from Nashville Ultimate Party Bus LLC.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Commissioner Penley with a second from Commissioner Klaver moved to approve a request by Nashville Ultimate Party Bus LLC for an additional ET permit, bringing their total to 2 ET permits. The motion further required that Nashville Ultimate Party Bus LLC fill out the proper paperwork with MTLC staff to correct the applicant's error in the application process.

ACTION: Approved 5-0

Commissioner Rogers with a second from Commissioner Hall moved to approve the new company application by Nashville Adventures for 1 SSV permit.

ACTION: Approved 3-2 (Commissioners Klaver and Penley dissenting)

At the conclusion of the ET and SSV Annual Hearings, the Commission had awarded 87 total permits (37 ET, 50 SSV).

Other Business

There was no other business.

Commissioner Penley left the meeting.

Application Reviews

Upon request of the Chair, Metro Nashville Network ceased recording during applicant background reviews.

Heleny Garcia-Lugo applied for an OPVH driver permit but failed to disclose background information on the application. The application was deferred at the March meeting. Angelo Centeno, a company representative from AJJ Transportation LLC, was present to confirm his intent to hire Ms. Garcia-Lugo. Mr. Centeno was asked to serve as an English translator for Ms. Garcia-Lugo during the hearing. Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the application.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

Dezmon Greenlee applied for a wrecker and towing services driver permit but was not present in the room when called. Vice Chair Westlake with a second from Commissioner Klaver moved to defer the application to the May meeting.

ACTION: Deferred 4-0

Youssef Shehata Micheal applied for a taxicab driver permit. Doug Trimble, representative of Yellow Cab, was not present but indicated an intent to hire Mr. Micheal if approved. Mr. Micheal was represented by attorney Paul Walwyn. Mr. Micheal’s permit was revoked by motion of the Commission on September 19, 2024. Per MCL 6.72.180.C., “a driver whose permit is revoked by the metropolitan transportation licensing commission, or the metropolitan transportation licensing commission director may not reapply for ninety days from the date of revocation and will be treated as a new applicant.”

After some discussion, Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to deny the application. The vote was tied 2-2, with Vice Chair Westlake and Commissioner Hall dissenting. Chair McNally issued the deciding vote in favor of denial. Per MCL 6.72.155, “Upon denial of an application for a taxicab drivers permit, no new application shall be considered for a period of six months.” The Chair encouraged Mr. Micheal to reapply in six months.

ACTION: Denied 3-2

With no further business, Commissioner Klaver with a second from Commissioner Rogers moved to adjourn.

ACTION: Approved 4-0

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Richard Rooker
Executive Secretary

Pat McNally
Chair

Date