



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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September 26, 2013

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DENY LICENSE

Abdi Wali Ahmed
1515 Park Avenue South, Apt. 1801
Minneapolis, MN 55404

RE: Taxicab Driver (Renew) license application submitted by Abdi Wali Ahmed for the City of Saint Paul
License ID #: 20120005205

Dear Abdi Wali Ahmed:

The Department of Safety and Inspections will recommend denial of the Taxicab Driver (Renew) license application submitted by Abdi Wali Ahmed for the City of Saint Paul. The basis for the recommendation is based on the following information:

On September 3, 2013, you submitted an invoice for renewal of your Taxicab Driver license with the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI). During a routine criminal history check as part of the renewal process, DSI discovered on February 14, 2013, you were convicted of Careless Driving in Hennepin County.

Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.16(e) (5) (a) (3) states: "Shall have a driving record meeting the following standards: No convictions in the last ten (10) years for any of the following offenses involving injury or death; no conviction in the last three (3) years for any of the following offenses not involving injury or death: Misdemeanor Reckless or Careless Driving under Minn. Stat. § 169.13 or similar law of another state."

At this time, you have three options on how to proceed:

1. If you wish to admit the facts but you contest the penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. You will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting to the facts and requesting a public hearing. I will need to receive your letter no later than **Monday, October 7, 2013**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council for a public hearing to determine whether to deny your Taxicab Driver (Renew) license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.

2. If you dispute the facts outlined above, or wish to present evidence that the conviction is not related to your license as a taxicab driver, or that you have been rehabilitated pursuant to Minn. Stat. §364.01 et seq, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). I will need to receive your letter no later than **Monday, October 7, 2013**. At that hearing both you and the City will appear and present witnesses, evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. After receipt of the ALJ's report (usually within 30 days), a public hearing will need to be scheduled. At that time, the City Council will decide whether to adopt, modify or reject the ALJ's report and recommendation.

Please note: If you choose an administrative hearing, the Department of Safety and Inspections reserves the right to request that City Council impose the costs of the administrative hearing per Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310.05 (k).

3. You may withdraw your license application. Send a written statement to that effect to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than **Monday, October 7, 2013**. Information should be directed to the attention of Christine Rozek. Any request for a refund of the license application fee must also be made in writing to the Department of Safety and Inspections.

If you have not contacted me by Monday, October 7, 2013, I will assume that you do not contest the denial of your Taxicab Driver (Renew) license. In that case, the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these options, please feel free to contact me at 266-8710.

Sincerely,



Geoffrey Karls
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Christine Rozek, Deputy Director of DSI
Tom Ferrara, DSI

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.

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COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 26th day of September she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO DENY LICENSE** and correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

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Minneapolis, MN 55404

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Julie Kraus
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 26th day of September, 2013

Rita M. Bossard
Notary Public

