

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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September 24, 2013

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSE

Mark C. Redd Town Taxi & Transportation 5010 Hillsboro Avenue New Hope, MN 55428

RE:

Taxicab Vehicle license for Cab #2236 held by Mark C. Redd d/b/a Town Taxi & Transportation for the City

of Saint Paul.

License ID #20120002128

Dear Mr. Redd:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) has recommended revocation of the Taxicab Vehicle license for Cab #2236 held by Mark C. Redd d/b/a Town Taxi & Transportation for the City of Saint Paul. The basis for the recommendation is as follows:

On March 13, 2013, DSI received a complaint that you were operating taxicab #2236 without a current sticker. The company was then informed revocation would be initiated and you were not allowed to solicit in the City of Saint Paul.

On March 14, 2013, you had a telephone discussion with the DSI Inspector and he ordered you to submit a written request for an extension to complete mechanical repairs by a specified date due to the fact that your mechanical inspection was overdue by one year. You were informed that you were not allowed to solicit or pick up passengers with this vehicle in the City of Saint Paul until a current sticker was issued.

On March 15, 2013, you submitted a written extension for mechanical inspection with no compliance date. A check of DSI records on April 4, 2013 and September 4, 2013, indicated that you have not submitted to a mechanical inspection required to license the vehicle.

This is a violation of Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.12 (h) (1) which states: Annual Inspections: "Any taxicab owner must submit each and every licensed taxicab to an annual inspection. The schedule for such inspections will be maintained by the license inspector..."

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

- 1. If you wish to <u>admit</u> the facts but 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 the facts and requesting a public hearing. I will need to receive your letter by **Friday**, **October 4**, **2013**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council for a public hearing to determine whether to revoke the Taxicab Vehicle license for Cab #2236. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
- 2. If you <u>dispute the facts</u> outlined above, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). I will need to receive your letter no later than **Friday**, **October 4**, **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).

If you have not contacted me or DSI by Friday, October 4, 2013, I will assume that you do not contest the revocation of the Taxicab Vehicle license for Cab #2236. 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

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Tom Ferrara, DSI

) ss.

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

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

Mark C. Redd Town Taxi & Transportation 5010 Hillsboro Avenue New Hope, MN 55428

(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

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 24 Th day of September, 2013

Notary Public

