

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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July 6, 2017

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSE

Gashaw Mulugeta Debela P.O. Box 51 Cottage Grove, MN 55016

RE:

Taxicab Driver license held by Gashaw Mulugeta Debela for the City of Saint Paul

License ID #: 20140000930

Dear Licensee:

The Department of Safety and Inspections will recommend revocation of the Taxicab Driver license held by Gashaw Mulugeta Debela for the City of Saint Paul. The recommendation is based on the following information:

On May 15, 2017, you submitted a Taxicab Driver renewal application to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI). During a routine criminal history check as part of the renewal process, DSI discovered you were convicted on April 19, 2017 in Washington County of Misdemeanor Traffic—Careless Driving (Minn. Stat. § 169.13.2). You were placed on probation for one (1) year which is scheduled to expire on April 19, 2018.

Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.15 (e) (4) (a) (3) states the basis for adverse action: "Must have a driving record meeting the following standards: a. 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:

3. Misdemeanor Reckless or Careless Driving under Minn. Stat. § 169.13, or similar law of another state."

At this time, you have three (3) options to proceed:

- 1. If you do not contest the imposition of the proposed adverse action, you may do nothing. If I have not heard from you by **Monday**, **July 17**, **2017**. I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action, and the matter will be placed on the City Council agenda for approval of the proposed remedy.
- 2. 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 no later than **Monday**, **July 17**, **2017**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to revoke your Taxicab Driver license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.

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3. 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, July 17, 2017. 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 by Monday, July 17, 2017, I will assume that you do not contest the revocation of your Taxicab Driver 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 three (3) options, please feel free to contact Julie Kraus, my Legal Assistant at (651) 266-8776.

Sincerely,

Therese Skarda

Assistant City Attorney

cc: Ross Haddow, DSI Inspector

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Gashaw Mulugeta Debela, 8597 Imperial Avenue South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016

SS.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 6TH day of July she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSE** and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Gashaw Mulugeta Debela P.O. Box 51 Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Gashaw Mulugeta Debela 8597 Imperial Avenue South Cottage Grove, MN 55016

(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 6TH day of July, 2017

Notary Public

