

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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August 17, 2018

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSES

Waleed Ahmed Sonbol, General Manager Blue & White Service Corporation 4812 Park Glen Road St. Louis Park, MN 55416

RE: Taxicab Vehicle licenses held by Waleed Ahmed Sonbol d/b/a Blue & White Service Corporation for the City of Saint Paul:

Taxicab #1391 License # 20090001909
Taxicab #1392 License # 20090001911
Taxicab #1395 License # 20090003037
Taxicab #3634 License # 20110000728

Dear Licensee:

The Department of Safety and Inspections will recommend revocation of the licenses for taxicab vehicles #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634 held by Waleed Ahmed Sonbol d/b/a Blue & White Service Corporation for the City of Saint Paul. The recommendation is based on the following information:

On May 23, 2018, an email was sent to <u>sonbol@followthatcab.net</u> by DSI Inspector Ross Haddow requesting that you submit an annual inspection report for taxicab #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634 as required by Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.11 (h) (1).

On June 15, 2018, Inspector Haddow sent you a follow-up email stating that during your conversation with him on May 23, 2018, you stated you would turn in current inspections for the above-mentioned taxicabs. Inspector Haddow instructed you to submit that information no later than Friday, June 22, 2018. As of today, that inspection information has not been submitted.

The licensing office will recommend revocation of the licenses for taxicabs #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634. As a result, Blue & White Service Corporation will be operating with less than five (5) taxicabs as required by Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.17 (c) (1).

You have four (4) options:

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, August 27, 2018, I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed
adverse action, and the matter will be placed on the September 12, 2018 City Council Agenda for approval of
the proposed remedy.

- 2. You can submit current mechanical inspections for taxicab #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634. If this is your choice, you should send the information directly to Inspector Ross Haddow at Ross. Haddow@ci.stpaul.mn.us or to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than Monday, August 27, 2018. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Submission of current mechanical inspections for taxicab #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634 will be considered a waiver of the hearing to which you are entitled.
- 3. 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**, **August 27**, **2018**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to revoke the licenses for taxicab #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
- 4. If you dispute the facts outlined above, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). You will need to send me a letter disputing the facts and requesting an administrative hearing no later than Monday, August 27, 2018. 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, August 27, 2018, I will assume that you do not contest the license revocations for taxicab #1391, #1392, #1395 and #3634. In that case, the matter will be placed on the September 12, 2018 City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these options, please feel free to contact my Legal Assistant, Julie Kraus at (651) 266-8776.

Sincerely.

Therese Skarda

Assistant City Attorney

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License No. 0240989

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

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COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

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

Waleed Ahmed Sonbol, General Manager Blue & White Service Corporation 4812 Park Glen Road St. Louis Park, MN 55416

(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 1744 day of August, 2018

Notary Public

KAREN M. DOUMANY
NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
My Commission Expires
January 31, 2020