# City of San Antonio



# **Transportation Advisory Board**

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

5:00 PM

Public Safety Headquarters
- Room 1403, 315 South
Santa Rosa, San Antonio,
TX 78207

The Transportation Advisory Board will hold its regular meeting in the Public Safety Headquarters - Room 1403, 315 South Santa Rosa, San Antonio, TX 78207 beginning at 5:00 PM. Once convened, the Transportation Advisory Board will take up the following items no sooner than the designated times.

Once a quorum is established, the Transportation Advisory Board shall consider the following:

## **Approval of Minutes**

1. Approval of the minutes from the Transportation Advisory Board meeting on March 23, 2022

#### **Public Comments**

2. Pubic Comments

## **Briefing and Possible Action on the following items**

- 3. Introduction of new TAB member Nicki Roberson
- 4. Update on the TAB recommended changes to Chapter 33 and TAB chairperson.
- 5. The requirement for a taxicab company to maintain a minimum of three taxicab permits to remain a taxicab company
- 6. Owner/Operator's ability to utilize a part-time driver
- 7. Discussion on the Limousine Industry (no action may be taken on this agenda item)
- 8. Items for the next Agenda
- 9. Announcements

At any time during the meeting, the Transportation Advisory Board may meet in executive session for consultation with the City Attorney's Office concerning attorney client matters under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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# City of San Antonio Transportation Advisory Board (TAB)

## Transportation Advisory Board Minutes Wednesday, March 23, 2022

#### **Board Members Present:**

**Board Members Absent:** 

George Mery
George Garcia
Robert Gonzales
Eddie Rodriguez
Ty Edwards
Javier Tristan

Ryan Rocha – Chief of Operations, Aviation Department

#### **Others Present**

Rick Riley, Assistant Police Director SAPD; Janette Torres-Gloria, Administrative Services Officer SAPD; Gary Gilbert, Administrative Service Manager SAPD; James Kopp, Assistant City Attorney, Joe Herrera, Ground Transportation Unit Supervisor SAPD

#### **Guests**

None

#### Roll Call & Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gilbert at 5:02 pm. A Roll Call followed, and at least six (6) voting board members were present, and a quorum was established.

#### 1. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes for February 28, 2022.

T. Edwards moved for approval; R. Gonzales seconded the motion.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Minutes Approved

#### 2. Public Comments:

None

## **Briefing and Possible Action on the following Items:**

#### 3. Taxicab Rates of Fare

Mr. Gilbert presented two different rate requests that he had received from the Taxicab Industry.

After some discussion, the following motions were made to make the recommended amendments to Chapter 33, Article VIII (Taxicabs), Sec. 33-981 (Rates of Fares):

• Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (c) to the minimum rate charge on any trip originating at the San Antonio International Airport or any pre-arranged trips from \$10.50 to \$20.00. Second; G. Mery.

For: Gonzales, Mery, Garcia, Tristan, Rodriguez Against: None

Abstentions: Edwards Motion Approved

Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (d) to the minimum rate charge on any trip originating in the "downtown rate zone" from \$5.00 to \$10.00. Second; G. Mery.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

• Mr. Gonzales made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the per hour Wait time from \$24.00 per hour to \$27.00 per hour. Second; T. Edwards.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 to add a
fee for extra passengers: Taxicabs may charge \$2.00 per passenger if the fare has
more than four passengers, not to exceed a total of \$4.00 additional charge. Second;
R. Gonzales.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the drop rate from \$2.50 per trip to \$3.50 per hour and to remove Sec. 33-981 (e) Taxicab night rate. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

• Mr. Edwards made a motion to recommend the amendment to Sec. 33-981 (a) to the per mile rate from \$2.35 per mile to **\$2.70 per mile**. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

#### 4. Taxicab Fuel Surcharge:

After some discussion, Mr. Edwards made a motion recommending the amendment to Chapter 33, Article VIII (Taxicabs), Sec. 33-981 (k) from "increases or decreases more than \$.50 for the last effective date" to "increase or decrease more than \$.25 from the last effective date" and to remove "however, no more than 2 fuel surcharge adjustments may be done in a calendar year. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

#### 5. TAB Meeting Dates (Update):

Mr. Gilbert presented the TAB with an updated TAB Schedule that outlined the Wednesday dates and asked the members if they were okay with holding the meeting at the Public Safety Headquarters. Mr. Gilbert asked for a motion to approve the dates and location.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to accept the new meeting dates and location. Second; R. Gonzales.

For: All Against: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

#### Request for items to be placed on future agenda:

- Taxicab company requirement to have a minimum of 3 taxicabs
- Discussion on the Limousine industry

| 6. | Announcements:   |
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|    | None   |
| 7. | Adjournment:   |
|    | Motion made by Mr. Gonzales and seconded by Mr. Edwards. |
|    | For: All Against: None                                   |
|    | Meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm                             |
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Gary J. Gilbert

Administrative Services Manager Recorder/Transcriber of Minutes

George Mery

TAB Vice-Chairperson

# **CHAPTER 33 - VEHICLES FOR HIRE**

# **ARTICLE VIII. TAXICABS**

Sec. 33-900. Scope of instant article.

Holders of permits to operate taxicab services and drivers of taxicabs shall be governed by the provisions of Articles I and VIII of this chapter.

Secs. 33-901 - 33-908, reserved.

Sec. 33-929. Number of taxicabs; authority to operate additional taxicabs.

(a) A holder shall <u>maintain in service a minimum of three taxicabs</u>, except holders of owner/operator permits shall maintain in service only one vehicle.

# **CHAPTER 33 - VEHICLES FOR HIRE**

## **ARTICLE VIII. TAXICABS**

## Sec. 33-932. Owner/Operators.

- (a) The director shall issue up to 75 owner/operator permits to individual persons who own a motor vehicle for use as a taxicab service. These permits shall be included in calculating the number of additional permits available pursuant to the Sec. 33-929(c). Owner/Operators are exempt from Sec. 929 (d) (I).
- (b) An applicant for an owner/operator permit must be a continuously active and permitted taxicab driver in San Antonio for at least one year at the time of the application.
- (c) The owner/operator vehicle may not be operated as a vehicle for hire by anyone other than the permitted owner/operator
- (d) The procedure for distribution of owner/operator permits is outlined in City of San Antonio Taxicab Rules and Regulations.
- (e) An individual who is approved for an owner/operator permit must make timely payment of all tax assessments and fees.
- (f) Applicants and vehicles for owner/operator permits shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 33 except for the following:

Sec. 33-007 (f), (h), (i), (l), and (m)

Sec. 33-009 Sec. 33-971.

(g) Within ninety (90) days after receipt of an owner/operator permit, the holder shall operate a city-wide ground transportation service in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, the operating permit, permit agreement, and the rules and regulations established by the director, for a period of five (5) years beginning on the date stated in the permits agreement. Thereafter, the owner/operator permit shall be renewed for a period of two (2) years, subject to the provisions in Sec. 33.025.