

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 14, 2016
County Commissioners Board Room
601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 2nd Floor

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Public Transportation Commission was called to order by Chairman Victor Crist at 9:05 a.m. The following members were present:

<i>Victor Crist, Chair</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>David Pogorilich</i>	<i>Temple Terrace</i>
<i>Guido Maniscalco</i>	<i>City of Tampa</i>
<i>Frank Reddick</i>	<i>City of Tampa</i>
<i>Al Higginbotham</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>Ken Hagan</i>	<i>Board of County Commissioner</i>
<i>Nate Kilton</i>	<i>Plant City</i>
<i>Cindy Oster</i>	<i>Senior Assistant County Attorney</i>
<i>Kyle Cockream</i>	<i>Executive Director</i>
<i>Brett Saunders</i>	<i>Chief Inspector</i>
<i>Kimberly Kerwin</i>	<i>Administrative Specialist II</i>

II. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & AGENDA

The invocation and pledge was given by Commissioner Crist, and the swearing in of witnesses was administered by Chief Inspector Brett Saunders. Commissioner Crist requested to move item VIII.A. Civil Service/Human Resources to the end of the Agenda. Councilman Maniscalco motioned to approve amending the Agenda, it was seconded by Councilman Pogorilich. Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the Agenda, it was seconded by Commissioner Hagan.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Audience participation was given 45 minutes (2 minutes per individual). The below individuals spoke: (Please Visit: <http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/index.aspx?nid=274/> to purchase a copy of the video or download a copy of the captioning for full details.)

- A. *Pat Frank*
- B. *Craig Jewesak*
- C. *Joe Morgan*
- D. *Michael Leto*
- E. *Ben Ritter*
- F. *Stephanie Smith*
- G. *Fassil Gabremariam*
- H. *Louie Minardi*
- I. *Seth Mills*
- J. *Zach Jacobs*
- K. *Todd Montgomery*
- L. *Chris Lothridge*
- M. *Justin Morgaman*
- N. *Rolnita Wilson*
- O. *Topher Morrison*
- P. *Robert Hesser*

- Q. *Laura Martinez*
- R. *Steve Anderson*
- S. *Jay Mitchell*
- T. *Paul Bayer – No Show*
- U. *Tim Alborg*
- V. *Daniel Lannak*
- W. *Thomas Schueller*

Audience participation took 50 minutes for 22 speakers. The below individuals completed a comment card, but were unable to speak.

- A. *Jeremy Jenkins*
- B. *Tony Garcia*
- C. *Jon Wierzbowski*
- D. *Eric Baldwin*
- E. *Dan Larock*
- F. *Eric Hemb*
- G. *Charles Smalling*
- H. *Ryan Patmintra*
- I. *Gary O’Gorman*
- J. *Jonathan Torres*
- K. *Claudio Torres*
- L. *Michael Gold*
- M. *John McDonald*
- N. *Maysaloon Younis*
- O. *Odell Allen*
- P. *Dory Niven*
- Q. *Teresa Thomas*
- R. *Juan Ramirez*
- S. *John Green*
- T. *Juan Nova*
- U. *Tom Halsnik*
- V. *Bradley Gellert*
- W. *Jeremy L.*
- X. *Eugene Huff*
- Y. *Lou Lewis*
- Z. *Sam Mandelbowm*
- AA. *Michael Hendricks*
- BB. *Vincent Tolbert*
- CC. *Marcus Carter*
- DD. *Kemel Rejouis*
- EE. *Ronald L.*

Councilman Maniscalco motioned to approve audience participation, it was seconded by Councilman Pogorilich, and unanimously approved. (closed)

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the consent items, it was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

V. ATTORNEYS REPORT

A. Outside Council – Legislative

Mrs. Oster advised the board of “ the County Attorney’s office is requesting that in anticipation of the possibility of proposed legislation that would be in support of dissolving the PTC, we are recommending that this Commission authorize us to move forward with working through a process to obtain outside council with specific expertise in the matter of legislation”.

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve obtaining outside council, it was seconded by Councilman Reddick, and unanimously approved. (closed)

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve moving items XI.E.1. & XI.E.2. up on the Agenda, it was seconded by Councilman Reddick. (closed)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Proposal for the Executive Director Search

1. Civil Service/Human Resources

Commissioner Crist asked Kyle Cockream if he would stay as Executive Director of the PTC. Mr. Cockream advised the board he is willing to stay on board until March 2018.

Commissioner Higginbotham motioned to discontinue the Executive Director Search, it was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

B. Rules & Policy Committee Meeting Status Update

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the Rules that were vetted through the Rules & Policy Committee and approved, except for the seven dollar minimum, and the seven minute wait time, it was seconded by Councilman Reddick.

Commissioner Crist passed the gavel to Commissioner Hagan.

Commissioner Crist motioned to amend Councilman Pogorilich motion by adding prearrange under wait time, putting a cap on price surging of no more than 10 times, companies must notify the PTC of a price surge, so PTC can notify the public, cannot price surge during an emergency, and raise the age of vehicle from 8 years to 10 years, it was seconded by Commissioner Kilton.

Councilman Pogorilich accepted Commissioner Crist amendment to his motion.

Commissioner Crist made a substitute amendment to his motion by adding a public hearing date of October 13th, it was seconded by Commissioner Higginbotham. Commissioner Hagan and Councilman Maniscalco opposed the motion. Motion passes.

Commissioner Kilton motioned to revisit a settlement agreement with Lyft and Uber, it was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kilton, Councilman Maniscalco, Commissioner Crist, and Commissioner Hagan voted yes. Councilman Pogorilich, Councilman Reddick, and Commissioner Higginbotham voted no. Motion passes.

Commissioner Higginbotham motioned to direct the County Attorney to draft an item for the October Agenda on waiving the citation fines, it was seconded by Commissioner Hagan.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Hearings

1. Limousine Certificate

a. On Time Transportation Services

Hearing Officer Susan More recommends granting On Time Transportation Services a limousine certificate along with two unrestricted limousine permits.

Councilman Maniscalco motioned to approve the hearing officers recommendation, is was seconded by Councilman Pogorilich, and unanimously approved. (closed)

2. Taxicab Certificate

a. Sunshine Taxi

Hearing Officer Susan More recommends granting Sunshine Taxi a taxicab certificate.

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the hearing officers recommendation, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

b. All City Taxi, LLC.

Hearing Officer Susan More recommends granting All City Taxi, LLC a taxicab certificate.

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the hearing officers recommendation, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

B. HCPTC Bylaws and Policies/Florida Statute, Chapter 50

Mr. Cockcream requested the board remove “published at least 5 days a week” from the PTC bylaws and keep the remaining verbiage to mirror the Special Act.

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

C. Certificate Holders – Revocation Hearing

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve the amended recommendation, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

D. Request for Variance/Waiver

1. SRQ Taxi Management, LLC D/B/A Diplomat Transportation

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve waiver request, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

2. American Med. Trans., Inc (AMT)

Councilman Pogorilich motioned to approve 7 of the 11 vehicle requested on the waiver, is was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco, and unanimously approved. (closed)

E. Public Vehicle Driver’s License Denial Appeal

1. Michael Gulley – Represented by Steven Belser, Express Medical Transporters

Mr. Gulley was present for his appeal. Councilman Reddick motioned to approve Mr. Gulley’s PVDL with a six month probation, it was seconded by Councilman Pogorilich, and unanimously approved. (closed)

2. Terrence Joiner – Represented by Jeremy Jenkins, His & Hers Limousine
Deferred to October. (open)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Crist adjourned the meeting at 11:31 a.m.

Kimberly Kerwin

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Public Transportation Commission**

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