



The Council
City of Shreveport

April 28, 2022

Carol M. Moore
VIP Taxi Service
6504 Hearne Avenue
Shreveport, La 71108

Dear Ms. Moore:

Your appeal of the Shreveport Police Department decision to revoke your Vehicle for Hire License will be considered at the Administrative Conference meeting **Monday, May 9, 2022**, in the **Government Chambers**, at **Government Plaza** (505 Travis Street), Shreveport, LA. At that time, the Council can either sustain, modify, or reverse the decision of the Chief of Police.

The City Council meeting begins at 3:00 p.m. Your appeal will be heard near the end of the meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Danielle A. Farr Ewing".

Danielle A. Farr Ewing

DAFE/tb

E-COPY: Members of the Shreveport City Council
Ronald Lattier, City Attorney
Chief Smith
Cpl. C. Glass-Bradley

APRIL 25, 2022

Date

Mr. Arthur Thompson
Clerk of Council
City of Shreveport
P. O. Box 31109
Shreveport, LA 71130



Dear Mr. Thompson:

This is to appeal the decision of the Chief of Police to deny my application for a Taxi License Permit. Please bring this matter to the attention of the Council as quickly as possible.

My name and address are as follows:

Name VERNON EUGENE MOORE
Address 3257 BERT KOWAL/INDUSTRIAL LOOP - APT. #8105
City/State/Zip Code SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA 71118
Telephone Number 318-282-0520

District: _____

The name and address of my employer (or potential employer) are as follows:

Name of Business (Company): VIP TAXI SERVICES, LLC
Address of Business 6504 HEARNE AVENUE, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA 71108

Signature: Vernon Eugene Moore
Case Moore



SHREVEPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

April 8, 2022

Ms. Carol M. Moore
VIP Taxi Services
6504 Hearne Avenue
Shreveport, LA 71108

Ms. Moore:

This is a written notice to inform you that the Vehicle for Hire office has set a hearing in reference to the violations of Chapter 102 of the City Ordinance listed below. The date of the hearing will be April 25, 2022, at 9:00am at the Shreveport Police Department, 1234 Texas Avenue, Suite 100, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101.

Sec. 102-62. - Qualifications.

Each applicant for a vehicle for hire driver's license shall certify that he meets the following qualifications:

(2) He has never been convicted anywhere under the laws of this state, or of this city or any other city, within five years, and has not served any part of a sentence therefore within five years before the date of the filing of this application, of the offense of murder, aggravated rape, simple rape, aggravated burglary, simple burglary, armed robbery, simple robbery, illegal possession or sale or use of narcotics (felony grade), contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile, indecent behavior with a juvenile, has not been convicted three or more times within the past five years of any traffic offense, and has not been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs during the year preceding the filing of the application, and is not currently a convicted sex offender as defined by Louisiana Revised Statute.

Sec. 102-65. - Issuance; license to be posted.

(a) Upon approval of an application for a vehicle for hire driver's license, the chief of police shall issue a license to the applicant, which shall bear the name, address, age, signature, and photograph of the applicant.

- (b) Every driver licensed under this article shall post his vehicle for hire driver's license in full view of all passengers in such a manner as to make it accessible to them.

(Ord. No. 154, 2010, 11-9-10)

Sec. 102-67. - Unlicensed drivers.

If any person not licensed under this article is found operating any vehicle, carrying passengers for hire, the chief of police may immediately take action to suspend or revoke the license held by the owner and operator of the vehicle, or by an association of owner-operators.

(Ord. No. 154, 2010, 11-9-10)

Sec. 102-81. - Vehicle requirements.

The following general regulations shall apply to all vehicles for hire, as designated in this article:

(4) Inspection of vehicles.

- (a) No vehicle for hire shall be used in such service if, from use, dilapidation, wear or other causes, it is dangerous or unsafe for the carriage of passengers. The chief of police or his designee shall have the right at all times to examine and inspect any vehicle for the purpose of determining if the vehicle is safe for the carriage of passengers, in addition to the inspections described elsewhere in this section.
- (b) All vehicles for hire licensed pursuant to this chapter shall display a current safety inspection sticker (motor vehicle inspection sticker) issued by the state. In addition, all such vehicles shall be inspected annually by the chief of police or their designee and before the vehicle is initially placed into operation to assure the proper operation and function of the vehicle's heating and air conditioning systems, its interior cleanliness and exterior appearance and for any unauthorized or illegal equipment (such as scanning devices). In addition, taxicabs shall be inspected to assure that they have adequate means of two-way communication with the central dispatcher and that their taximeters are lighted and operating correctly. The fee for this inspection shall be \$25.00 per vehicle inspection.
- (c) The failure by any vehicle of any portion of the city's or the state's inspections shall be grounds for revocation of the license issued for that vehicle, unless the condition(s) causing the failure are corrected within seven days of the owner or operator being notified. The operation of a vehicle for hire after the expiration of the seven-day period without the defect being corrected is declared to be a violation of this chapter.

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Sec. 102-4. - Penalty for violations of chapter.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished as prescribed in section 1-14. Each time any vehicle is operated in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, such violation shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. No. 61, 2000, 5-9-00)

Should you desire to appeal any decision made by the Shreveport Police Department during this hearing, you must file a written appeal in the office of the Clerk of Council, 505 Travis Street, Suite 410, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, within ten days of the decision. The telephone number is 318-673-5262. All pertinent information, including but not limited to your criminal history, will be disclosed at the public hearing.

Sincerely,



Wayne E. Smith
Chief of Police

Agent Carlos Glass-Bradley #1340
VFH Issuing Agent

WES/cgb



Applicant/Owner

4/11/2022
Date