

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NO. 2205-N-57-L

RE: APPLICATION OF AB LIVERY LLC TO OPERATE FOUR (4)
GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLES, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF
LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN
MANCHESTER

DECISION

JULY 26, 2022

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on May 24, 2022, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, AB Livery LLC (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 53 Oxford Street, Manchester, Connecticut 06042 seeks authorization to operate four (4) motor vehicles, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Manchester.

B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on July 20, 2022.

Notice of the application and of the hearing to be held thereon was given to the applicant and to such other parties as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended. Legal notice to the public was given by publication on the department's website.

A hearing officer designated by the Commissioner pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-17 conducted the hearing on this matter.

C. <u>APPEARANCES</u>

Syed Hoque appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 53 Oxford Street, Manchester, Connecticut 06042.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant seeks to operate four (4) motor vehicles in general livery service from a headquarters in Manchester.
- 2. The applicant proposes to operate a 2011 Toyota Avalon, 2007 Honda Odyssey, 2011 Lincoln Town Car and a 2015 Buick Encore. All of the proposed vehicles are paid for.
- 3. The applicant and his partner have been taxi drivers for twenty years. The applicants also own a taxicab company AB Cab LLP for the past two years.
- 4. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$17,479, maintenance costs of \$1,500, property tax of \$357, advertising costs of \$50 and communication costs of \$300.

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- 5. The applicant has \$61,000 in a business bank account.
- 6. Under the taxicab authority the applicant provides service to transportation broker Veyo.
- 7. The applicant will be providing additional services to Veyo and will also provide private pay livery service.
- 8. The applicant will be operating out of his residence. There are no zoning issues operating a home office in this residence.
 - 9. This application was not opposed.

III. DISCUSSION

The department has jurisdiction over each person, association, limited liability company or corporation owning or operating a motor vehicle in livery service, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, as amended.

In determining whether a livery permit should be granted, the department shall take into consideration the present or future public convenience and necessity. The applicant must prove that the public's convenience and necessity will be improved by the proposed service. Additionally, the applicant must show the suitability of the applicant or the suitability of the management if the applicant is a limited liability company or corporation, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of the applicant efficiently and properly to perform the service for which authority is requested and the fitness, willingness and ability of the applicant to conform to the provisions of the statutes and the requirements and regulations of the department thereunder, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103.

Regarding the applicant's suitability, the applicant submitted a criminal record check for members, Syed Hoque and Syed Uddin, which disclosed no criminal record. Both members have been long standing taxi drivers who have owned a taxi business since 2020. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$17,479, maintenance costs of \$1,500, property tax of \$357, advertising costs of \$50 and communication costs of \$300 for a total expense of \$19,686. The applicant has \$61,000 in a bank account to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicants will provide additional

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IV. <u>ORDER</u>

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Adam Limousine Inc is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3750 is hereby issued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3750

AB Livery LLC is authorized to operate four (4) motor vehicles in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Manchester.

RESTRICTIONS:

The applicant must register and insure the four (4) general livery vehicles granted in this decision within ninety (90) days. Failure to do so may result in revocation of the general livery authority.

The authority granted under this permit may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational, i.e. a vehicle registered with livery plates thereunder for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

This permit shall remain in effect until it is amended, suspended or revoked by the department. Failure of the permit holder to maintain proper insurance and/or comply with all

pertinent motor vehicle laws and other state statutes and/or rules, regulations and orders of the department shall be considered sufficient cause to amend, suspend or revoke said permit.

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the department, shall be conspicuously posted in each motor vehicle operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 26th day of July 2022.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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