

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NO. 2207-N-77-L

RE: APPLICATION OF REYES HENRIQUEZ DBA RYM
TRANSPORATION TO OPERATE ONE (1) VEHICLE IN GENERAL
LIVERY SERVICE, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF LESS THAN
ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN HARTFORD

DECISION

OCTOBER 25, 2022

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on July 27, 2022, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Reyes Henriquez dba RYM Transportation (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 325 Hillside Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106 seeks authorization to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Hartford.

B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on October 18, 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>

Reyes Henriquez appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is of 325 Hillside Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Jasmine from Voiance appeared as a Spanish interpreter in this matter.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant seeks to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service from a headquarters in Hartford.
 - 2. The applicant proposes to operate a 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee which is paid for.
- 3. The applicant has worked transporting people in livery service in New York. She has also worked for Ambassador Wheelchair and Uber and Lyft.
 - 4. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$11,374,

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- 5. The applicant has \$19,103 in a bank account.
- 6. The applicant has a livery endorsement to drive the livery vehicle.
- 7. The applicant will be operating the business out of her home office.
- 8. The applicant wants to provide transportation to the public as well as for Reach to Be, a family service organization.
 - 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 the Reyes Henriquez which disclosed no criminal record. Ms. Henriquez has a livery endorsement and has been driven for several transportation services. 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 \$11,374, maintenance costs of \$3,000 and property tax of \$147 for a total expense of \$14,521. The applicant has \$19,103 in a bank account to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant will be working with a social service agency to provide transportation. She will also be providing general livery service to the public. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for intrastate livery service.

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IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Reyes Henriquez dba RYM Transportation is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3761 is hereby issued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3761

Reyes Henriquez dba RYM Transportation is authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Hartford.

RESTRICTIONS:

The applicant must register and insure the one (1) general livery vehicle 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 25th day of October 2022.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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