



### CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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Long Beach, CA 90802

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November 17, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the supporting documentation into the record; find that the public convenience and necessity requires the operation of pedicabs as prescribed in the application; find that the rate of \$1.00 for each 1/10 of a mile is just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory; and, adopt Specifications RFP FM 09-039 authorizing the City Manager to approve and execute a permit and amendments thereto for the operation of three pedicabs by Green Machine Pedicab Service. (Districts 1 and 2)

### **DISCUSSION**

In an effort to promote mobility, environmentally safe options for pedestrian transportation and the City's commitment to becoming the most bike-friendly City, we are recommending City Council approval of Green Machine Pedicab Service. This service will promote these goals while providing a transportation alternative for the downtown area while relieving some parking and traffic congestion. In addition, the distance from the Aquarium, the Pike and Pine Circle to upper Pine Avenue or the East Village Arts District is farther than some are willing or, in some cases, able to walk. Pedicabs provide a transportation alternative for the downtown area while relieving some parking and traffic congestion. Downtown visitors can take a pedicab to and/or from parking destinations without needing their vehicles to travel from one part of the downtown area to another. Pedicabs may also add to the attractiveness of the downtown area by creating a greater sense of convenience and safety for visitors, providing transportation in the Downtown Dining and Entertainment District.

The Long Beach Municipal Code (LBMC) requires an application be filed and a hearing be held before the City Council prior to issuing a license or permit for pedicab services. The LBMC also requires that the City Council make a determination that the public convenience and necessity require the operation proposed by the applicant for the permit. The City Council shall take into consideration the public demand for the service, the adequacy or inadequacy of the service being rendered by other persons, the effect of the service upon traffic, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the character of the equipment proposed to be furnished, and any and all other facts which the City Council may deem relevant.

A Request for Proposal (RFP) was sent to interested companies and posted on the City's internet site. Nine registered bidders were notified that the City was seeking proposals; none are Woman-owned Business Enterprises (WBEs), none are Minority-owned Business Enterprises (MBEs), none are Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) and none are a Long Beach business. The RFP was made available on the Purchasing Division's website at

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www.longbeach.gov/purchasing. One proposal was received and Green Machine Pedicab Service, of Norwalk, CA, (not an MBE, WBE, SBE or local) was selected to provide pedicab services in the City. It is the recommendation that only one pedicab business operate in the downtown area.

Green Machine Pedicab Service is requesting approval for three pedicabs to operate within the downtown Long Beach area defined as the Primary Pedicab Service Area and also the extended area (Attachment B).

The LBMC also states that the City Council shall establish and authorize the rate charged for pedicab service, following a hearing upon its own motion, upon application, or upon complaint. The City Council must determine if the proposed rate is just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory. The rate proposed to be charged by Green Machine Pedicab Service is \$1.00 for 1/10 of a mile, or less, plus \$1.00 per each additional 1/10 of a mile per trip regardless of the number of passengers. The trip distance will be measured by an odometer on each pedicab.

The LBMC allows for pedicabs to be operated by persons other than the permitee or his employees pursuant to a contract, agreement, permit, license or understanding between the operator and the permitee, so long as the terms and conditions of the original permit are upheld. Green Machine Pedicab Service proposes to use independent contractor drivers, each leasing a pedicab from Green Machine Pedicab Service. Each driver will be required to obtain a driver's permit from the Long Beach Police Department and have an individual business license. Green Machine Pedicab Service will be responsible for the drivers, whether employees or independent contractors, will provide public liability and property damage insurance, and will be responsible for having safety inspections on the pedicabs.

Attached for your review is the application (Attachment C) from Green Machine Pedicab Service. Also attached are reports from various departments.

The Department of Financial Management, the Police Department, Department of Public Works, and the Fire Department have reviewed the application in accordance with the LBMC Title 5.68 and have approved their recommendations with conditions, per the attached Recommended Conditions of Operation (Attachment A).

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on October 27, 2009 and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on October 30, 2009.

#### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to adopt Specifications RFP FM 09-039 and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract is requested on November 17, 2009 to ensure that a contract is in place expeditiously.

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### FISCAL IMPACT

The following fees are collected with the application: Zoning Review \$14 (Development Services Department) and Processing Fee \$583 (Financial Management Department).

The following fees will be collected if the application is approved: Business License \$213.82 and Annual Regulatory \$265 from the applicant; and, Business License \$196.68 for each independent contractor driver (Financial Management Department).

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

LORI ANN FARRELL

DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/CFO

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**ATTACHMENTS** 

APPROVED:

#### Attachment A

### **Recommended Conditions of Operation**

Green Machine Pedicab Service LLC
Application for Pedicab Permit

- The operation of the pedicab service shall be limited to those activities and elements expressly indicated on the permit application and approved by the City Council. Any change in the operation, which exceeds the conditions of the approved permit, will require that a new permit application be submitted to the City Council for their review and approval.
- Green Machine Pedicab Service, LLC, shall maintain a local, bona fide place of business with a local contact telephone number that is accessible during business hours. The telephone number shall be clearly posted on each pedicab to facilitate responsiveness to patron or City concerns.
- 3) Green Machine Pedicab Service, its employees or drivers, shall adhere to all applicable laws, rules and regulations the Long Beach Municipal Code Section 5.68, and the Vehicle Code of the State of California covering the operation of bicycles upon public streets, pedestrian or bicycle facilities, and safety equipment requirements.
- 4) Pedicabs shall not be operated in a manner that impedes or blocks the normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or vehicular traffic unless such operation is necessary for safe operation.
- Whenever available for hire, pedicabs shall only park or wait for passengers in areas designated by the City Manager and/or approved by City Council; or in motor vehicle parking spaces, subject to local and state parking regulations. The pickup and drop off of passengers shall be limited to passenger loading zones, or areas commonly designated for the same.
- 6) The operational hours for the Green Machine Pedicab Service shall be limited to between 7:00 a.m. and 2:30 a.m. each day of the week.
- 7) The operation of the Green Machine Pedicab Service shall be limited to only those areas applied for and approved by the Long Beach City Council.
- 8) Every pedicab operator shall display his/her Drivers Permit while on duty and shall also be in possession of a valid government identification.
- 9) Pedicab rates, as established and approved by City Council, shall be clearly posted on each pedicab, and shall be visible to all passengers.

- 10) Pedicab advertising shall not include adult entertainment, tobacco products, or alcoholic beverages, except when accompanied by statements to drink responsibly.
- 11) The permit is to be issued for one year and will be reviewed by City staff with the applicant for safety, efficiency and success of the service prior to continuation of this service.
- 12) During certain special events, like the Long Beach Grand Prix or the Pride Parade, pedicab routes may be restricted by the City.
- Pedicabs will not be allowed to operate on Shoreline Drive except along the bike path. Pedicabs can cross Shoreline Drive, just not travel along it other than in the bike path.

### PEDICAB SERVICE AREA MAP





### CITY OF LONG BEACH BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION Fourth Floor, City Hall

www.longbeach.gov

(562) 570-6211 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802

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17.	Attach a full statement of applicant's assets, liabilities and current income. If the application is for an individual (sole ownership), you may use the form on pages 6-8 of this application. If the application is for a partnership or corporation, please submit a copy of the partnership's or corporation's most recent audited balance sheet and income statement. Upon request, proof of ownership of assets and verification of equity must be provided.							
	This application must be signed below by the individual applicant or partner or officer if the applicant is a partnership or corporation.							
	The undersigned as President of Green Machine Pedicals hereby declares under penalty of perjury that the information contained in this application for a permit is true and correct.							
٠	Date 7-16-09 at Long Beach California							
	Signature of applicant							

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF Green Machine Pec	I.cab Service
ASSETS	
Cash in Bank Checking Account	\$ 6,000
Cash in Bank Savings Account	
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(other - give name)	
Accounts Receivable - Current	•
Notes Receivable - Current	
Current value of stocks and bonds listed on exchanges (list on separate sheet)	13000
Other Current Assets, describe	200,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	
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LIABILITIES		
Notes Payable to: Bank of	America Bank	\$ 44,400
Other Notes Payable, due within	one year	N/A
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### **Attachment: Vehicle List**

Green Machine is ready for immediate service in Downtown Long Beach. A deposit has been made for two new Mainstreet Pedicabs that will be delivered in early July 2009.

The following information is for the Pedicab Green Machine currently owns.

License number: 3353082

Make: Main Street

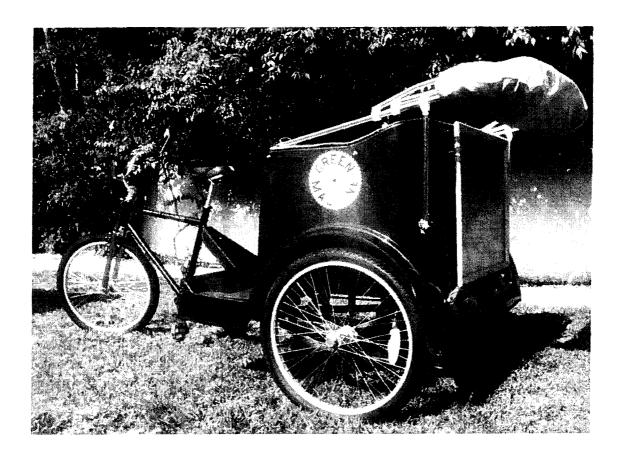
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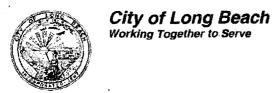
Serial number: EE660320

Model: Broadway

Color: **Green**Condition: **new** 

A photo has been provided to serve as a visual reference of the Green Machine Pedicab. The entire fleet will be consistent with this make, model and color scheme.





Date:

September 8, 2009

To:

Erik Sund, Bureau Manager, Business Relations Bureau

From:

Anthony W. Batts, Chief of Police [www]

Subject:

APPLICATION FOR PEDICAB PERMIT - GREEN MACHINE PEDICAB SERVICE

In response to your request for a recommendation regarding the above named permit application to operate a pedicab business, by Green Machine Pedicab Service LLC, the Police Department recommends **approval**, subject to the following ten conditions of operation:

Based on the Vice Section's investigation, the Police Department has determined the proposed operation will not adversely impact pedestrian or vehicular traffic, and the pedicabs meet or exceed State of California bicycle equipment requirements.

### **CONDITIONS OF OPERATION**

- The operation of the pedicab service shall be limited to those activities and elements expressly indicated on the permit application and approved by the City Council. Any change in the operation, which exceeds the conditions of the approved permit, will require that a new permit application be submitted to the City Council for their review and approval.
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City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve

Date:

September 22, 2009

To:

Eric Sund, Business Relations Manager

From:

David Roseman, City Traffic Engineer

Subject:

**GREEN MACHINE PEDICAB SERVICE LLC** 

The Traffic Engineering Division has reviewed Green Machine Pedicab's proposed area of operation and we have no significant objections. We only request that the permit be conditioned to not allow Pedicabs to operate on Shoreline Drive except along the bike path. Pedicabs can cross Shoreline Drive, just not travel along it other than in the bike path. We have met with the applicant, Mr. Eric Green, and informed him of our condition.

Should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Amir Kasmai, Senior Transportation Engineer, at extension 86759.

DR:AK:TD



# Long Beach Fire Department MEMORANDUM

Date:

October 26, 2009

To:

Jeannine Montoya, Business License Supervisor

From:

X. Espino, Captain, Fire Prevention

Subject:

APPROVAL - GREEN MACHINE PEDICAB

The Long Beach Fire Department has reviewed and approves the business license application submitted by Green Machine Pedicab. Approval is recommended without conditions.