



City of Arts & Innovation

Public Safety Committee Memorandum

TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE **DATE: JANUARY 15, 2020**
FROM: RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT **WARD: ALL**
SUBJECT: APPEAL OF DENIAL OF VEHICLE FOR HIRE APPLICATION – ERIC WYNN

ISSUE:

Consider the appeal and uphold the Police Department's denial of the Vehicle for Hire Permit Application both submitted by Mr. Eric Wynn.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Public Safety Committee consider the appeal and uphold the Police Department's denial of the Vehicle for Hire Permit Application both submitted by Mr. Eric Wynn.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Riverside Municipal Code § 5.40.180(D)(4) Vehicle for Hire Permit provides that the Chief of Police may deny or revoke the issuance of a driver's permit when "the applicant or driver's permit holder has falsified, misrepresented, or omitted pertinent information in the application."

DISCUSSION:

In November of 2019, Mr. Eric Wynn submitted a Vehicle for Hire permit application to the Riverside Police Department. The Riverside Police Department conducted a thorough background investigation of Mr. Wynn's application pursuant to Chapter 5.40 of the Riverside Municipal Code, Vehicles for Hire, Taxicabs, and Animal-Drawn Vehicles.

In reviewing Mr. Wynn's criminal history, it was discovered he had been arrested and convicted several times. Mr. Wynn failed to disclose the extent and type of his criminal history in the Vehicle for Hire permit application.

Based on this investigation, the vehicle for hire permit for Mr. Eric Wynn was denied per Riverside Municipal Code Section 5.40.180(D)(4). A Denial of the Vehicle for Hire Permit Application letter, dated November 26, 2019, was sent to Mr. Wynn via certified mail.

On December 3, 2020, Mr. Wynn submitted the attached letter of appeal through the City Clerk's Office. The letter was accepted by the City Clerk's Office on December 4, 2019, and the appeal for the denial of the Vehicle for Hire Permit Application is scheduled for review by the City Council Public Safety Committee on January 15, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment:

1. Municipal Code Section 5.40.180(D)(4)
2. Letter of Appeal