

# City of Minot

## Police Department

November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Israel Torres  
3920 South Main Street  
Minot, ND 58701

Mr. Torres,

I have reviewed your application for a taxi license with the City of Minot.

I am denying your request for a taxi license due to your background check indicating that you are required to register as a sex offender until 2025.

City ordinance 30-53 spells out the process for application and reasons for denial.

Sec. 30-53. - Obtaining a license.

- (a) Each applicant for a license required by this division shall:
- (1) Possess a valid and current North Dakota driver's license;
  - (2) Fill out an application form to be provided by the chief of police and filed with the city as a permanent record; and
  - (3) Undergo a background examination.
- (b) An applicant shall be denied a license if the background examination reveals:
- (1) That the applicant would present a threat to the health, morals, or welfare of the community;
  - (2) Evidence of sex offenses within the last ten (10) years, or the requirement under the North Dakota law to register as a sex offender;
  - (3) Evidence of violent criminal activity within the last ten (10) years;
  - (4) Evidence of criminal activity involving the use of a motor vehicle within the last ten (10) years;
  - (5) Evidence of criminal activity marked by fraudulent or deceitful behavior within the last ten (10) years; or
  - (6) Prior revocation of a license issued under this division;
  - (7) Any other just cause for denying the application.

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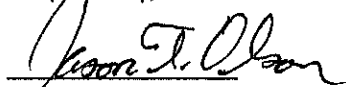
Section 30-58 of the City of Minot ordinance provides that you may appeal this decision to the City Council.

Sec. 30-58. - Revocation or denial of license; notice; hearing.

- (a) Licenses issued pursuant to this division may be suspended at any time by the city manager and may be revoked by the city council if the holder thereof, in the judgment of the city council, operates any vehicle which is not of good appearance, clean and safe, or shall charge or collect any rate of fare other than that required or permitted under this article, or shall make any false or misleading and deceptive statement or representation in the solicitation of patronage for any vehicle, or shall violate any other provision of this article, or for any other cause deemed sufficient by the city council.
- (b) ~~If the issuance of any license is not allowed or if a license is revoked under the provisions of subsection (a), the chief of police shall forthwith give the applicant or licensee, as the case may be, reasonable written notice of such action and specify a time reasonably soon thereafter and in any event not more than thirty (30) days after the giving of the notice for a hearing before the city council, or a hearing officer delegated by it, at a time and place named in the notice, at which hearing the applicant or licensee may show cause and be heard in behalf of the granting or restoring of the license, whereupon, if proper showing is made, the city council, or its delegate, shall order the license issued or restored, as the case may be.~~

A hearing on this matter will be held to give you the opportunity to present information appealing this decision to the City Council. Should you wish to do so, please appear at the Minot City Council meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Minot City Council chambers at 515 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SW (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) Minot, ND 58701.

Respectfully,



Chief Jason T. Olson