



Office of the City Clerk

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October 25, 2012

Sopakriba A. Princewill  
1819A N Arlington Place  
Milwaukee WI 53202

Dear Mr. Princewill:

You are hereby notified that the Milwaukee Common Council will hold a hearing on November 8, 2012, commencing at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, in the Common Council chambers on the third floor of City Hall, 200 East Wells Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin to consider the renewal of your public passenger vehicle driver's license application.

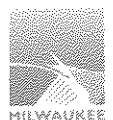
Attached you will find a copy of the Report of the Public Safety Committee which includes its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation, recommending renewal of this license with a 10 day suspension based upon police report and driving record. The recommendation is the result of a public hearing before the Committee held on October 24, 2012.

You may file a written objection to the report of the Committee. If you file a written objection to the report, you may also appear before the Milwaukee Common Council to make oral arguments supporting your written objections and present oral arguments supporting that objection to the Common Council. Any written objections to the Committee's Report must be filed with the City Clerk by 4:45 p.m. on November 5, 2012. You or a legal representative may then also appear at the Common Council meeting and request an opportunity to address the Common Council for approximately five (5) minutes to present an oral argument on your own behalf.

Respectfully,

  
JAMES R. OWCZARSKI  
City Clerk

Enclosure



**CHAIR**

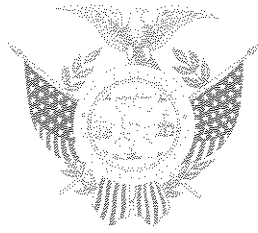
- Public Safety Committee

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**TERRY L. WITKOWSKI**  
ALDERMAN, 13TH DISTRICT

*The  
Garden  
District*

Date: October 25, 2012

To: All Members of the Milwaukee Common Council

From: The Public Safety Committee

Re: Report of the Renewal Application of Sopakriba A. Princewill for a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver License.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Sopakriba A. Princewill (hereinafter the "Licensee") is the holder of a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver license in the City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Said license expires at midnight, October 31, 2012.
2. An application to renew said license was filed with the Office of the City Clerk.
3. Pursuant to Chapter 100 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and § 349.24 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the matter was referred to the Milwaukee Police Department for investigation. The Milwaukee Police Department filed a police report documenting the applicant's Department of Transportation driving record. That report could form the basis of non-renewal or suspension of this license.
4. On October 11, 2012, the City Clerk's Office provided timely notice to the Licensee, pursuant to Chapter 100 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and § 349.24 of the Wisconsin Statutes of a police report that could form the basis for suspension or non-renewal of the license of the licensee and included therewith a copy of the Milwaukee Police Department report. The matter was scheduled for a hearing on the police report on October 24, 2012 September at 9:00 a.m. in Room 301B of City Hall. At said date, time and place, the licensee did appear and was not represented by counsel.
5. Based upon the sworn testimony heard and the evidence received at the hearing, the Committee finds the following:
  - A. On July 2, 2011 at 11:55 a.m., an officer of the Milwaukee Police Department observed the applicant operating a taxi in the intersection of North Water Street and East Juneau Avenue, blocking traffic. The officer instructed the applicant to move his vehicle and he stated to the officer to



safety checklist or trip record filled out for that day. The applicant was charged with disorderly conduct and public passenger-vehicle trip record required. He was found guilty on these two citations on September 15, 2011 and fined \$100 for each. The applicant was also issued a citation for public passenger vehicle license to be exhibited which was dismissed without prejudice on September 15, 2011.

B. On August 17, 2012 the Wisconsin Department of Transportation suspended the applicant's driver's license for 14 days for failure to pay forfeiture and it remained suspended until August 31, 2012. During the period of suspension the applicant failed to return his public passenger vehicle license to the City Clerk as required by City Ordinance § 100-59-1-b.

C. The applicant's driving record reveals the following:

4/28/12	guilty-of failure to obey traffic sign or signal	Shorewood Village Muni. Ct.
5/4/12	guilty-unregistered vehicle	Oak Creek Muni. Ct.
8/17/12	failure to pay forfeiture	Shorewood Village Muni. Ct.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

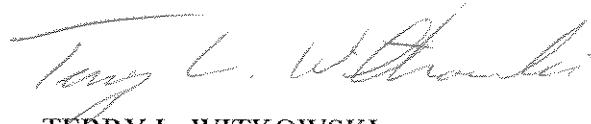
1. The Committee has jurisdiction to hold hearings and provide Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and a Recommendation to the full Common Council pursuant to Chapter 100 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances and § 349.24, Wisconsin Statutes.
2. Based upon the above facts found, the Committee concludes that the licensee, Sopakriba A. Princewill, has not met the criteria of Chapter 100 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances or § 349.24 of the Wisconsin Statutes to allow renewal of his Public Passenger Vehicle Driver license without undergoing a ten (10) day suspension based upon the driving record.
3. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee, it is the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee that the full Common Council of the City of Milwaukee should exercise its judgment to renew the Public Passenger Vehicle Driver license held by Sopakriba A. Princewill with a ten (10) day suspension.

## RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated above, the Committee by vote of three (3) ayes, zero (0) noes, one (1) excused and (1) absent, recommends that the Public Passenger Vehicle Driver license of Sopakriba A. Prince will be renewed with a ten (10) day suspension based upon the police report and driving record.

Said suspension is to be in effect from the date of the Common Council hearing of November 8, 2012 and for ten days thereafter.

Dated and signed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.



TERRY L. WITKOWSKI  
Chairman, Public Safety Committee