

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the ) APPLICATION NO. TR-220/B-1433  
Application of B.J.Z., Inc. )  
d/b/a Checker Cab Company, )  
Norfolk, seeking to establish )  
its rates and charges subject ) ORDER GRANTING RATES  
to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. )  
Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 )  
and 3. )  
 ) ENTERED: May 25, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 18, 2021, B.J.Z., Inc. d/b/a Checker Cab Company ("Applicant"), Norfolk, Nebraska, filed an application for authority to amend its taxi rates as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>
Within Cities of Norfolk and Columbus	
First 1/7 <sup>th</sup> of a mile or fraction thereof	\$2.40
Each additional 1/7 <sup>th</sup> of a mile or fraction thereof	\$0.30
Each additional Passenger over 12 years of age	\$0.75
Wait Time (per minute)	\$.50
Outside City of Norfolk	
Each mile per passenger (one way)	\$1.63
Each additional passenger over 12 years of age (per mile)	\$0.50

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
Within cities of Norfolk and Columbus	
Boarding Fee	\$3.00
First 1/9 <sup>th</sup> of a mile or fraction thereof	\$0.25
Each additional passenger over 12 years of age	\$1.00
Wait time (per minute)	\$0.50
Outside City of Norfolk and Columbus	
Each mile per passenger	\$2.10
Each additional passenger over 12 years of age per mile	\$0.75

Notice of the Application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on March 23, 2021. No protests were filed.

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## O P I N I O N   A N D   F I N D I N G S

Applicant is a Nebraska Limited Liability Company with its principal business address in Norfolk, Nebraska. Applicant was granted authority under Application B-1433 to transport passengers and their baggage by taxicab in the City of Norfolk and its vicinity. Certificate Supplement 1 authorizes the transportation of passengers and their baggage by taxi between points in Madison, Stanton, Wayne, Pierce, Antelope and Boone counties and between points in said counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points within a 150-mile radius of Norfolk, Nebraska over irregular routes. Applicant is also authorized to transport passengers and their baggage by taxi between points in Platte County, and between points in Platte County, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Applicant is not authorized to provide transportation services that originates west of Kearney and terminates in Columbus. Further, transportation in Jefferson, Saline, or Thayer counties, originating or within said counties, point to point, is not authorized. The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation is yes.

Applicant is seeking to amend and replace its existing rates previously granted under Rate Docket TR-213.<sup>1</sup> Applicant is seeking to increase its initial drop charge for trips that take place within the city limits of Norfolk and Columbus to \$3.00; an increase of approximately 25%. Applicant further proposes to change its per mile charge within Norfolk and Columbus from \$0.30 for each 1/7<sup>th</sup> of a mile to \$0.25 for each 1/9<sup>th</sup> of a mile. This results in an increase of \$0.15 for each additional whole mile. An increase of \$0.25 for each additional passenger over the age of 12 years old is also requested for trips within Norfolk and Columbus. Applicant is also seeking to increase its per passenger mile charge to \$2.10 and its per mile charge for passengers over the age of 12 by \$0.25 for those trips outside of Norfolk and Columbus. A review of Applicant's proposed rates in comparison to rates offered by similar carriers for similar services finds that the proposed rates are reasonable.

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<sup>1</sup> See Application No. TR-213/B-1433 *In the Matter of Checker Cab Company, Inc., Norfolk, seeking to amend its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3, Order Granting Rates (Entered: June 25, 2019).*

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Upon consideration of the application and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that B.J.Z., Inc. d/b/a Checker Cab Company, Norfolk, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to amend its rates for its services effective May 30, 2021, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Rates</u>
Within cities of Norfolk and Columbus	
Boarding Fee	\$3.00
First 1/9 <sup>th</sup> of a mile or fraction thereof	\$0.25
Each additional passenger over 12 years of age	\$1.00
Wait time (per minute)	\$0.50
Outside City of Norfolk and Columbus	
Each mile per passenger	\$2.10
Each additional passenger over 12 years of age per mile	\$0.75

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

*Rod Johnson*  
*Crystal Broadus*  
*Mary Kidden*

*Don Woodson*  
Chair

ATTEST:

*Michael P. Hyl*  
Executive Director