

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2442

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 11, 1983

Application of AL'S TRAVEL SERVICE,)
INC., for a Certificate of Public)
Convenience and Necessity to)
Conduct Special Operations)

Case No. AP-83-42

By application filed June 6, 1983, Al's Travel Service, Inc., seeks authority to transport passengers, together with mail, express and baggage in the same vehicle with passengers, in special operations providing ". . . (1) Transportation of Tours (2) Limousine Service (3) Sightseeing Tours Operating between points of interest within the Metropolitan District."

Applicant owns a 15-passenger van and proposes sightseeing tours as well as round-trip transportation over irregular routes pursuant to informal arrangement between applicant and parents of students as St. Patrick Day School, providing service between the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Virginia and southern Montgomery County, Md. The sightseeing service would consist of two tours, a building tour including Ford's Theater, the White House, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Capitol and the Smithsonian Institution at a charge of \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children between five and 11 and a combination tour embracing the above points plus a riding tour of the Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery and the Viet Nam Memorial at a cost of \$25 for adults, \$12.50 for children between five and 11. Children under five would be transported free on both tours.


Applicant's operating statement for the year ending April 20, 1983, shows revenue of \$90,047 and expenses of \$71,010 for pre-tax net income of \$19,037. The balance sheet, as of April 30, 1983, shows current assets of \$23,001, total assets of \$79,901 and liabilities of \$44,800, with equity totalling \$35,101.

Pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact, this application must be scheduled for a public hearing to determine if the applicant is fit, willing and able properly to perform the proposed service and to abide by pertinent regulatory requirements, and to determine if the public convenience and necessity requires the proposed service. Applicant will be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the cost of the hearing and will be required to submit a statement of projected revenue and expenses.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Case No. AP-83-42 of Al's Travel Service, Inc., is hereby scheduled to commence Wednesday, August 10, 1983, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.
2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application and hearing, in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Monday, July 18, 1983, and present at the hearing an affidavit of publication from the selected newspaper.
3. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Monday, August 1, 1983, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on applicant's president, Al F. Hunter, Sr., 1116 H Street, N. E., Suite 2A, Washington, D. C. 20002.
4. That applicant is hereby assessed \$400 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006 no later than Wednesday, August 3, 1983.
5. That applicant file with the Commission no later than August 3, 1983, four copies of a statement of projected revenues and revenue deductions anticipated from its first 12-month period of operations, simultaneously serve one copy of such statement on each party of record as of August 1, 1983, and produce the original thereof at the public hearing.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


GREGORY PAUL BARTH
Acting Executive Director