

Board of Assessment Appeals

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BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS SPECIAL MEETING

MEETING DATE AND TIME: WEDNESDAY APRIL 29, 2020 - 11:00 AM

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Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Attendance
- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding Encore Bus Lines LLC appeals
- 4. Adjournment



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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Shelby P. Jackson, III, Assessor

FROM:

Janis M. Small, Corporation Counsel

RE:

Encore Enterprises Ltd. Board of Assessment Appeals Appeal

DATE:

April 21, 2020

The applicant claims a tax exemption under §12-241. Based upon the information provided to me, I am of the opinion that they are not entitled to the exemption. In support of this position, I offer the following points. First, based upon the information provided to me, the company does not satisfy the definition of "motor bus" in §14-1(56). The Applicant's permit is for motor vehicles "in livery service" pursuant to §13b-101 et seq. It does not have certificate under §13b-80. It does not operate a specific route and does not indiscriminately receive or discharge passengers. Further, a review of the information provided by the Applicant from 1991-2016 demonstrates that it is a charter/special operation livery service. Additionally, a review of a portion of the legislative history for §12-241 indicates that it was meant to protect bus companies with regular passenger routes in Connecticut. There is no documentation establishing that the Applicant falls within that category. It is my opinion that the application does not fall within §12-241 and they are not exempt.

Janis M. Small

Corporation Counsel