



City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Thurston County Medic One for Basic Life Support Services

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the resolution authorizing the Intergovernmental EMS Contract for Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding and authorizing the Interim City Manager to sign the agreement.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve an intergovernmental agreement with Thurston County for Basic Life Support (BLS) services as described in an Intergovernmental EMS Contract. This contract quantifies reimbursement and allows the City to receive this revenue.

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Background and Analysis:

Thurston County (Medic One) and the City of Olympia (Fire Department) have a long standing working relationship for the delivery of Advanced Life Support (ALS) (Paramedic) and Basic Life Support (BLS) (EMT/Firefighter) Services. For over 40 years, there has been an intergovernmental agreement detailing the reimbursement from the County to the City regarding the ALS services. Over the years, Medic One has also provided some support to the BLS mission, but there did not exist a formal contract for this reimbursement until 2019. This first contract is about to expire and several

minor housekeeping changes are required. The new Intergovernmental EMS Contract, Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding agreement memorializes those changes, defines an expiration date and contains language for the contract to be automatically renewed every year up to five years.

Nothing in the new language has direct effect on the City of Olympia or the Fire Department. The amount of BLS direct support received by the City as Fire Department revenue and the amount of supplies and equipment (non-revenue) supplied to the Fire Department changes slightly each year based on the Countywide EMS system call volumes. The amount of revenue for 2019 was \$115,956.00, with a similar amount in BLS supplies and equipment provided to the Fire Department. The contract contains language to allow this variation without re-opening and re-signing the contract each year.

Accepting this intergovernmental agreement secures this long-standing, valuable relationship and defines the revenue and support for years to come.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

1. Approve the resolution and direct the Interim City Manager to sign the Intergovernmental EMS Contract, Basic Life Support (BLS) funding.
2. Do not approve the resolution.

Financial Impact:

\$115,956.00 in revenue to the City and a similar amount in supplies and equipment provided by Medic One directly the Fire Department.

Attachments:

Resolution
Agreement