

# **City Council**

# Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Contract for Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding

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**Type:** resolution **Version:** 1 **Status:** Passed

#### Title

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#### Recommended Action

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

# **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to approve the resolution approving the Intergovernmental Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Contract for Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

# Report

#### Issue:

Whether to approve a contract with Thurston County Medic One for Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding.

#### Staff Contact:

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# Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

### **Background and Analysis:**

Thurston County Medic One has historically been providing Basic Life Support (BLS) medical supplies via a revolving account at their office for years. The Olympia Fire Department goes and picks up needed supplies, and Medic One debits an account they hold on our behalf. The City does not pay for these supplies.

The City also receives an annual BLS support payment to the General Fund that shows as Fire Department revenue.

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Medic One funds both of these items from the Medic One property tax levy. Medic One provides computers and software for the recording of our patient care notes to the City at no charge. The data goes into a hosted database managed by Medic One; the City has complete access to our portion of the countywide data. Using this database to record patient care is mandatory.

Medic One has been told by their auditors that they should have a contract that describes the payouts. This contract is new. It describes the payouts that have been in place for many years. Medic One will sign a version with each BLS provider in Thurston County.

The contract was approved by the Board of County Commissioners last week, giving the Medic One Director authority to sign the document. Once the City and Director have signed the document, BLS funding for 2019 will proceed, uninterrupted, as it has done in the past.

# Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known): N/A

## **Options:**

- 1. Approve the resolution directing the City Manager to sign the Intergovernmental EMS Contract for Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding.
- 2. Do not approve the resolution. Not approving the agreement will have immediate effect on the Fire Department's ability to procure supplies needed to effect patient care and 2019 revenue projections.

# **Financial Impact:**

This contract memorializes the agreement that has never had a contract in the past. There are no new funds associated with this contract, just a continuation of a long time arrangement.

#### Attachments:

Resolution

Intergovernmental EMS Contract - Basic Life Support (BLS) Funding