

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 12/09/25 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-1121

LOG NAME: 13AMEND 2 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE ILA

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Emergency Medical Service Interlocal Agreement with the Metropolitan Area EMS Authority d/b/a MedStar Mobile Healthcare to Extend the Agreement’s End Date from December 31, 2025 to March 31, 2026

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Emergency Medical Service Interlocal Agreement with the Metropolitan Area EMS Authority d/b/a MedStar Mobile Healthcare to extend the agreement’s end date from December 31, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

On June 24, 2025, via Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) 25-0571, the City Council authorized execution of an Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the Metropolitan Area EMS Authority d/b/a MedStar Mobile Healthcare (MedStar) (City Secretary Contract No. 63581). The ILA formalized a temporary transitional arrangement under which MedStar, as the licensed EMS provider, continued EMS operations from July 1, 2025 to October 1, 2025. Under this arrangement, MedStar provides EMS system operations utilizing its state EMS Provider license and credentials, while the City of Fort Worth supplies personnel and equipment under City control, with MedStar providing operational management and oversight to ensure uninterrupted EMS service delivery during the City’s transition to becoming a fully licensed EMS provider. The ILA was amended, as authorized by M&C 25-0917, to extend the expiration date to December 31, 2025 due to ongoing delays in the City’s attempts to becoming fully licensed for the provision of EMS with Medicare and Medicaid. The City anticipates needing additional time to complete this process.

Therefore, the purpose of this M&C is to authorize the execution of Amendment No. 2 to the ILA that extends the agreement’s end date from December 31, 2025 to March 31, 2026 allowing the City to complete the final stages of the transition to a fully licensed EMS provider status.

The term of the agreement will be effective July 1, 2025 and with this amendment will now expire on March 31, 2026, unless otherwise extended by the parties.

The agreement does not obligate Fort Worth to pay funds to MedStar and specifies that any payments required for governmental functions or services under the agreement will be made from current revenues available to each party, as required by Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code.

Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code authorizes Fort Worth and MedStar to execute an interlocal agreement for the provision of governmental functions and services, including EMS, and is exempt from competitive procurement requirements. This transitional arrangement is further authorized by the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement executed by the City and each MedStar member city, City Resolution No. 6037-12-2024, and the final resolution of the MedStar board before its dissolution, No. BC-1624.

All other terms, provisions, conditions, covenants and recitals of the Agreement not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation and execution of the amendment to the agreement, funds will be deposited into the Emergency Medical Services Fund. The Fire Department (and Financial Management Services) is responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City.

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