Monterey County Board of Supervisors

MEETING: February 7, 2012 - Consent AGENDA NO.: 17

SUBJECT: Approve and authorize the Director of Health to sign and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. A-11610 for the second one (1) year Agreement extension with American Medical Response – West (AMR) for the period of February 01, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

DEPARTMENT: Health – Emergency Medical Services Agency

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and Authorize the Director of Health to sign and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. A-11610 for the second one (1) year Agreement extension and amendment with American Medical Response – West (AMR) for the period of February 01, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

SUMMARY:

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is seeking Board of Supervisor approval to authorize the Director of Health - to sign and execute the second one (1) year ambulance Agreement extension and amendment with American Medical Response – West (AMR) for the period of February 01, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

DISCUSSION:

On December 15, 2009 the Board approved and authorized the Director of Health to enter into a 5 year Agreement, effective January 30, 2010 with AMR, to provide Advance Life Support Ambulance Services that includes the option for - five one-year additional extensions.

AMR submitted their second extension request on October 31, 2011 (Attachment A), pursuant to Section 6.0 of Agreement No. A-11610. Additionally, pursuant to Section 17 of the Agreement, an annual rate increase is to be requested by November 1 of each year. AMR will not be requesting a rate increase for 2012 at this time.

A contract compliance work group (CCWG) has been established to provide a constituent's view regarding the performance requirements of the Agreement and assist in development of Agreement refinements. The CCWG consists of citizen representatives, a first responder representative, a hospital representative and a representative from the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) with EMS agency staff and AMR leadership providing support. The EMS Agency, with concurrence of the CCWG and EMCC, has determined under Agreement Section 6 "Renewal Provisions" (Attachment B) AMR has met and exceeded the minimum requirements under the provision of earning the second one (1) year Agreement extension in the following areas:

- Has exceeded 90% Agreement response time compliance for each Priority each month of the last contract year.
- In compliance with clinical performance.
- In compliance with financial requirements.

In addition, the EMS Agency is seeking to amend (Attachment C) the Agreement to better define Contractor requirements regarding response time compliance by county region, allow Behavioral Health defined transports be provided by an entity other than Contractor and better refine county response time requirements. The amendment language and updated response zone maps (Attachment D) was developed with input from the EMS Agency, AMR-West and the CCWG.

The EMCC provided a final review of the Agreement extension request including the minimum requirements needed to earn an extension and Agreement amendments at its January 2012 meeting. The EMCC has recommended approval of both the second extension to the Agreement and amending the Agreement as proposed.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has approved this one year extension and Agreement amendment as to legal form. Amendment and attachments are on file with Clerk to the Board.

FINANCING:

This one year extension will have no impact to the General Fund Contribution.

Kirk Schmitt, EMS Agency Director

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Attachments: A - AMR-West letter dated October 31, 2011 - on file with Clerk of the Board

B - Agreement Section 6. Renewal Provision - on file with Clerk to the Board

C - Amendment No. 2 - on file with Clerk to the Board

D – Response Zone maps - on file with Clerk to the Board

Cc: County Counsel