

Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

The Health Department seeks authorization to execute a Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with the City of Salinas for the provision of paramedic services in the County of Monterey.

DISCUSSION:

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is designated under California law by Monterey County as the local Emergency Medical Services Agency responsible for planning, implementing, and evaluating the local EMS system throughout Monterey County. Under California law, no person or organization may provide "advanced life support," also known as "paramedic services," unless that person or organization is an authorized part of the emergency medical service system of the local EMS agency.

Accordingly, under California law, a paramedic service provider must have a written agreement with the local EMS agency to participate in the EMS system and to comply with all applicable state regulations and local policies and procedures, including participation in the local EMS agency's Continuous Quality Improvement ("CQI") program.

While this work is not directly in support of a Health Department strategic initiative, it is in support of one or more of the ten essential public health services: 7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The office of the County Counsel has approved this Agreement as to legal form.

FINANCING:

This agreement will have no impact on the General Fund Contribution.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

Economic Development:

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• Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy. □Administration:

• Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

⊠Health & Human Services:

• Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

□Infrastructure:

• Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.

□Public Safety:

• Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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Approved by:

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Attachment: Paramedic Service Provider Agreement