

Board Report

File #: A 17-038, Version: 1

a. Renew the Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with Cypress Fire Protection District for the provision of paramedic services in the County of Monterey retroactive to February 14, 2016 and to extend the agreement on the same terms and conditions to June 30, 2017;

b. Authorize the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency Director to execute the agreement to retroactively renew and extend the Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with the above provider.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

a. Approve Agreement to Retroactively Renew the Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with Cypress Fire Protection District to renew prior agreement for the provision of paramedic services in the County of Monterey retroactive to February 14, 2016 and to extend the agreement on the same terms and conditions to June 30, 2017;

b. Authorize the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency Director to execute the agreement to retroactively renew and extend the Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with the above provider.

SUMMARY:

On November 1, 2011, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors approved and authorized the EMS Director to sign and execute Paramedic Service Provider Agreements with public agencies wishing to provide paramedic services in the County of Monterey. The Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with Cypress Fire Protection District expired on February 14, 2016. Unfortunately, neither party to the agreement realized the agreements had expired. Accordingly, the parties wish to renew the agreement and extend it through June 30, 2017 to allow time to review and, if needed, revise the agreement to reflect the landscape of our current EMS system.

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.

The original Paramedic Service Provider Agreement was reviewed and approved by the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) on September 14, 2011 and by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors on November 1, 2011. A short extension of the agreement will allow the parties' time to review and, if needed, revise the agreement to reflect the landscape of our current EMS system.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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County Counsel has approved the Agreement to Retroactively Renew the Paramedic Service Provider Agreement with Cypress Fire Protection District as to legal form.

FINANCING:

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

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Attachments:

Agreement Cypress Fire Protection District on file with the Clerk of the Board Agreement Paramedic Cypress Fire Protection District on file with the Clerk of the Board