



## Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

June 17, 2016

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Board of County Commissioners  
315 Court Street  
Clearwater, Florida 33756

Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of County Commissioners,

I am writing on behalf of the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Council in support of the following projects and initiatives.

- EMS & Fire Administration and the Fire Chiefs briefed the Council on the ALS First Responder funding requests for Fiscal Year 2017. A motion was made to endorse those funding requests per the attached summary. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- EMS & Fire Administration gave a presentation on proposed ambulance user fee schedule for Fiscal Year 2017. The Council supports the proposed fee schedule, and after discussion, no concerns were raised.
- The Council unanimously supports the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) to Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital for their LIFELINE program. The Hospital wishes to establish a regional Helicopter ambulance service for neonatal and pediatric interfacility transport.

Please contact me at 727-391-9951 if you have any questions or require additional information from your EMS Advisory Council.

Respectfully,

Mayor Travis Palladeno, Chairman  
Pinellas County EMS Advisory Council

cc: Mr. John A. Bennett, Assistant County Administrator  
Mr. Michael Cooksey, Director, Safety & Emergency Services  
Mr. Craig Hare, Director, EMS & Fire Administration