

Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Amendment to the Emergency Medical Services Advanced Life Support First Responder Agreement with the City of St. Petersburg.

Recommended Action:

Sitting as the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Authority, approve Amendment 1 to the Advanced Life Support (ALS) First Responder Agreement with the City of St. Petersburg (Contractor).

- Section 709(a) of the agreement provides for the approval of Authority funded units. The
 Contractor is converting two existing 12-hour ALS Units (Medic 1 and Medic 3) to civilian
 Paramedic staffing. Through the resultant cost savings, the Contractor is able to add an
 additional 12-hour ALS Unit, Medic 7, at no additional cost to the Authority. The Contractor will
 provide the response vehicle for Medic 7 utilizing Contractor held EMS funds.
- Section 701(c) of the agreement provides for reimbursement caps for rescue units. Authority and Contractor are transitioning from standard rescue units to rescue units with a lifetime warranty for the utility compartment which may be remounted at the end of the useful life of the chassis. Re-mountable rescue units are anticipated to save significantly more over time than the additional upfront cost. Contractor and Authority agree the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 re-mountable rescue unit amount is capped at \$230,000.00. Contractor and Authority further agree that the reimbursement amount for Rescue 5 and Rescue 10 procured in FY19-20 and scheduled for delivery in FY20-21 and vehicles procured in FY20-21 are subject to the reimbursement cap of \$230,000.00 to begin the transition to re-mountable rescue units.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

- 5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach
- 5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

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Background Information:

On October 22, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners, sitting as the EMS Authority, approved the current ALS First Responder agreement the City of St. Petersburg. This agreement will expire on September 30, 2024. The EMS Authority and the City of St. Petersburg now desire to execute Amendment No.1 to their relative ALS First Responder Agreements. This amendment reflects operational adjustments for FY20-21.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding in the amount of \$690,000.00 for the purchase of three (3) re-mountable rescue units is consistent with the FY21 Tentative Budget for the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund.

Staff Member Responsible:

James G. Fogarty, Director, Safety and Emergency Services

Partners:

City of St. Petersburg

Attachments:

ALS First Responder Agreement, Amendment 1 - St. Petersburg 2019 ALS First Responder Agreement - St. Petersburg