

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT:

AGENDA DATE:

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:

STRATEGIC GOAL:

SUBGOAL:

SUBJECT:

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTION OR DONATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

NAME	AMOUNT (\$)

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING LIFE AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC., A FRANCHISE EXTENSION AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 019491 TO MODIFY ITS FRANCHISE RATE, AND TO OPERATE A NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE TRANSFER SERVICE

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, Texas is empowered to grant franchises for the use of its streets, alleys, and public rights-of-way under the City Charter and the City's general police powers; and

WHEREAS, Life Ambulance Service, Inc., ("GRANTEE") has been providing non-emergency ambulance transfer services under a franchise renewal granted by the City Council through Ordinance 019491 approved on May 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section E.1 of Ordinance No. 019491 dated May 1, 2023, allows for an extension of the non-emergency ambulance transfer service franchise, provided Grantee give to the City a written request to extend the franchise no later than three (3) months prior to the expiration date of this franchise whether it be during the initial term or any renewal period; and

WHEREAS, Grantee provided said written request in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, Article I. Section E.4 of Ordinance 019491 dated May 1, 2023, allows the City to require that the terms, conditions and provisions of the franchise be modified upon Grantee's request for renewal, and the City wishes to modify the terms, conditions and provisions of the franchise so as to clarify certain existing provisions such as the effective date and rates; and

WHEREAS, on evidence received, City Council finds that public convenience and necessity justify granting a franchise extension to GRANTEE to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service in the City of El Paso, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, THAT:

1. Finding that public convenience and necessity justify renewal of this franchise, a renewal of the non-exclusive franchise, subject to the Grantee's compliance with the requirements and limitations set forth in Ordinance No. 019491 dated May 1, 2023, and by local, state and federal laws, is hereby granted to Life Ambulance, Inc., Grantee, to operate a non-emergency transfer ambulance service within the City and upon the public streets, rights-of-way and alleys of the City of El Paso, and all of the terms of Ordinance No. 019491 except for those specifically altered in the following paragraphs of this renewal, are extended for two years commencing at 12:01 a.m., May 1, 2025 (the "Effective Date"), regardless of the date upon which the ordinance granting the franchise is adopted.

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2. Article I, Section C: The entire paragraph shall be replaced as follows: “Term and Effective Date. Regardless of the date upon which the ordinance granting the franchise is adopted, the term of this franchise shall be for two (2) years commencing on 12:01 a.m., May 1, 2025 (the "Effective Date"), with the possibility to renew the franchise as set forth below.”

3. Article I, Section G, 2.2: The entire paragraph shall be replaced as follows: “G, 2.2. Grantee shall maintain comprehensive general and automobile liability coverage with limits of no less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per occurrence and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) annual aggregate. Grantee shall maintain medical professional liability coverage with limits of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and three million dollars (\$3,000,000) annual aggregate. These amounts are not a limitation upon the Grantee’s agreement to indemnify and hold the City harmless. Grantee shall immediately advise the Fire Chief of any claim or litigation which affects Grantee’s insurance.”

4. Article I, Section R, 6: The Chief of the fire department may issue a written notice of suspension, deferred suspension, or revocation to Grantee for breaching and/or failing to meet any of their obligations as set forth in this Franchise Agreement.

5. Exhibit "A": The rates listed in Article III (Administration and Regulation), Section B (Rates), Exhibit "A" (Life Ambulance, Inc. Public Rates) of Ordinance No. 019491 dated May 1, 2023, shall be replaced in their entirety by Exhibit "A" to the present Ordinance, attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if set forth in full.

6. Except as herein amended, Ordinance No. 019491 dated May 1, 2023, shall remain in full force and effect.

(Signatures follow on next page)

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

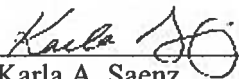
Renard U. Johnson

Mayor

ATTEST:

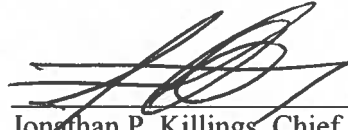
Laura D. Prine City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Karla A. Saenz
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Jonathan P. Killings, Chief
El Paso Fire Department

(ACCEPTANCES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE)

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EXHIBIT A

Life Ambulance, Inc. PUBLIC RATES

TRANSPORT TYPE:	RATES	
	Year 1	Year 2
BLS NON-EMERGENCY	\$595.00	\$625.00
BLS EMERGENCY	\$725.00	\$765.00
ALS NON-EMERGENCY	\$650.00	\$685.00
ALS-1 EMERGENCY	\$885.00	\$925.00
ALS-2 EMERGENCY	\$945.00	\$995.00
SPECIALITY CARE TRANSPORT (SCT)	\$1,335.00	\$1,425.00
MILEAGE	\$18.00	\$20.00

* Supplies will be billed for Payor who recognizes supplies.

* Discount consideration may be given to the following:

1. Patients
2. Facilities
3. Payors
4. Vendors

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