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

**DEPARTMENT:** Fire Department

AGENDA DATE: April 25, 2023

**PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** May 9, 2023

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Jonathan Killings, Fire Chief (915) 212-5665

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 2: Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

**SUBGOAL:** 2.3: Increase Public Safety Operational Efficiency

#### SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on an ordinance granting South Texas Ambulance Response, INC., a franchise extension and amending Ordinance No. 019426 to modify its franchise rate, and to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

South Texas Ambulance Response, LLC., has been providing non-emergency ambulance transfer services under a franchise renewal granted by the City Council through Ordinance No. 019426 approved on January 1, 2023. Article I, Section E.1 of Ordinance No. 019426, allows for an extension of the non-emergency ambulance transfer service.

#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

The City Council granted a franchise renewal through Ordinance No. 019426 on January 1, 2023.

### **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Total Amount: Revenue Generating

Dept.: 999; Division: 99999; Fund: 1000; Account: 431200; Funding Source: Ambulance Service Revenue

#### HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? \_X\_\_ YES \_\_\_NO

**PRIMARY DEPARTMENT:** Fire Department

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AN ORDINANCE GRANTING SOUTH TEXAS AMBULANCE RESPONSE, INC.
D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE HEALTH, A FRANCHISE EXTENSION AND
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 019426 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, SOUTH TEXAS AMBULANCE RESPONSE, INC. D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE HEALTH, ("GRANTEE") has been providing non-emergency ambulance transfer services under a franchise renewal granted by the City Council through Ordinance No. 019426 approved on January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section E.1 of Ordinance No. 019426 dated January 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 No. 019426 dated January 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. 019426 dated January 1, 2023, and by local, state laws. hereby granted SOUTH TEXAS **AMBULANCE** federal is to RESPONSE, INC. D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE HEALTH, Grantee, to operate a nonemergency transfer ambulance service within the City and upon the public streets, rights-ofway and alleys of the City of El Paso, and all of the terms of Ordinance No. 019426 except for those specifically altered in the following paragraphs of this renewal, are

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- extended for two years commencing at 12:01 a.m., May 1, 2023 (the "Effective Date"), regardless of the date upon which the ordinance granting the franchise is adopted.
- 2. <u>Article I, Section C:</u> The entire paragraph shall be replaced as follows: "<u>Term and Effective Date</u>. 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, 2023 (the "Effective Date"), with the possibility to renew the franchise as set forth below."
- 3. <u>Article II. Section G:</u> The entire paragraph shall be replaced as follows: "G. <u>Transportation Logs.</u> The Grantee shall be required to provide continuous access to electronic unit dispatch data for emergency and non-emergency ambulance service originating within the Franchise Area to the Fire Chief or designee. At minimum the data will contain the following information:
  - 1. Date of Service
  - 2. Date and time of request received.
  - 3. Scheduled pick up date and time.
  - 4. Unit scene date and time
  - 5. Unit transport date and time
  - 6. Pick up address
  - 7. Drop off address
  - 8. Drop off Department
  - 9. Level of service"
- 4. Exhibit "A": The rates listed in Article III (Administration and Regulation), Section B (Rates), Exhibit "A" (SOUTH TEXAS AMBULANCE RESPONSE, INC. D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE HEALTH Public Rates) of Ordinance No. 019426 dated January 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.
- 5. Except as herein amended, Ordinance No. 019426 dated January 1, 2023, shall remain in full force and effect.

(Signatures follow on next page)

ADOPTED this	day of	, 2023.		
WITNESS THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURES AND SEALS:				
		THE CITY OF EL PASO		
		Oscar Leeser Mayor		
ATTEST:				
Laura D. Prine City Clerk				
APPROVED AS TO F	ORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:		
Carlos L. Armendariz Assistant City Attorney		Jonathan P. Killings Fire Chief		

(ACCEPTANCES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE)

#### ACCEPTANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

**ACCEPTANCE** The above instrument, with all conditions thereof, is hereby accepted this day of APUL, 2023. SOUTH **TEXAS AMBULANCE** RESPONSE, INC. D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE HEALTH Title: **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF EL PASO This instrument was acknowledged before me on this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of of SOUTH TEXAS AMBULANCE RESPONSE, INC. D/B/A REVIVE MOBILE **HEALTH** ENID COUTINO Notary ID #125294518 My Commission Expires Notary Public, State of Texas Notary's Printed or Typed Name: Ehid Co Ufind My Commission Expires: RECEIVED FOR FILING THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF 2023.

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

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# **EXHIBIT A**

# **PUBLIC RATES**

TRANSPORT TYPE:	RATE
BLS NON-EMERGENCY	\$492.50
BLS EMERGENCY	\$587.50
ALS NON-EMERGENCY	\$667.50
ALS-1 EMERGENCY	\$767.500
ALS-2 EMERGENCY	\$825.00
SPECIALITY CARE TRANSPORT (SCT)	\$1,285.00
MILEAGE	\$15.00
Stand-by Rate	\$120.00 an hour

Special Consideration will be given to financial hardship cases.

<sup>\*</sup> All mileage shall be billed an paid based on "load miles", the patient in on board the vehicle.