

November 30, 2023

BCC Agenda Date/Item: \_\_\_\_\_

Board of County Commissioners  
Clackamas County

**Approval of Amendment #6 increasing funding and term of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Clackamas Fire District #1 for Ambulance Services. Amendment value is \$147,408.89 for 1 year. Agreement value increased to \$3,575,499.96 over 10.67 years. Funding through the cost savings program with American Medical Response Northwest. No County General Funds are involved.**

<b>Previous Board Action/Review</b>	Original Contract #6346 -April 24, 2014 Amendment #1- April 25, 2019 Amendment #2 - January 9, 2020 Amendment #3 - December 21, 2020 Amendment #4 - February 22, 2022 Amendment #5 – November 23, 2022 Amendment # 6 - November 28, 2023-Briefed at issues		
<b>Performance Clackamas</b>	1. To increase community safety and health 2. To continually improve the efficiency and effectiveness of services		
<b>Counsel Review</b>	Yes	<b>Procurement Review</b>	No
<b>Contact Person</b>	Philip Mason-Joyner	<b>Contact Phone</b>	503-742-5956

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** The Clackamas County Public Health Division (CCPHD) of the Health, Housing, and Human Services Department requests the approval of Amendment #6 to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Clackamas Fire District #1 for Ambulance Services.

The County entered into agreements with the Consortium (Clackamas Fire, Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District, and Lake Oswego Fire) in 2014 to guarantee a paramedic response within the times required in the American Medical Response (AMR) Ambulance Service Agreement. Rapid response times for ambulance transport units are only shown to affect patient outcomes in select emergencies. Research shows that the response time to get a paramedic on the scene can affect patient outcomes in many more instances. Getting a paramedic on the scene of a medical emergency quickly is arguably more important than getting a transporting ambulance on the scene quickly.

In Consortium areas, AMR is provided additional time to respond in urban and suburban areas because the Consortium departments guarantee a paramedic on scene 90% of the time, according to the response time requirements of the AMR Ambulance Service Agreement. For Priority 1 incidents, the Consortium agrees to provide a paramedic on the scene in eight minutes in Urban areas and twelve minutes in Suburban areas. That allows AMR additional time in those areas (Ten minutes in Urban areas, fifteen minutes in Suburban areas).

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This agreement supports the EMS system and the work the EMS Council, staff, and stakeholders are doing to improve EMS in Clackamas County by supporting integration and collaboration among first responders and private ambulances and ensuring a rapid paramedic response.

This agreement is regarding first responder response times of the Consortium agencies and is not related to subcontracts for ambulance transport.

Requests to extend the agreements with the other Consortium agencies (Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District and Lake Oswego Fire) will be forthcoming.

This amendment extends the original IGA and will terminate on December 31, 2024.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioner approve Amendment #6 to contract #6346 and authorize Tootie Smith, Chair, to sign on behalf of Clackamas County.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rodney A. Cook*

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Director of Health, Housing, and Human Services

**AMENDMENT #06 TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN CLACKAMAS COUNTY  
AND CLACKAMAS FIRE DISTRICT #1**

Agreement #6346-06

THIS AMENDMENT (“Amendment”) is entered into by and between Clackamas County (“County”), a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, and Clackamas Fire District #1 (“Agency”) and shall become a part of that Intergovernmental Agreement entered between the parties on May 1, 2014 (the “Agreement”).

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, authority is conferred upon local governments under ORS 190.010 to enter into agreements for the performance of any and all functions and activities that a party to the agreement, its officers or agencies have authority to perform;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to keep the existing Agreement in place during the negotiations, but wish to amend it to reflect the new termination date and increase the monthly compensation,

WHEREAS, the parties agree to increase the current compensation amount by 2% during the extension;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth below and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. **Term.** Section 11.1, Term of Agreement, is hereby amended to extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2024.
2. **Compensation.** Section 3, Compensation, of the Agreement, all parties agree to increase the compensation amount provided under Section 3 of the Agreement to \$12,047.84 per month.

Except as expressly amended above, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. By signature below, the parties agree to this Amendment, effective upon the date of the last signature below.

**[Signatures on following page]**

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment by the date set forth opposite their names below.

**Clackamas County**

Commissioner, Tootie Smith, Chair  
Commissioner, Paul Savas  
Commissioner, Martha Schrader  
Commissioner, Mark Shull  
Commissioner, Ben West

**Clackamas Fire District #1**



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Chair, Board of County Commissioners

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By: Nick Browne  
Its: Fire Chief

11/13/2023

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Date

Approved as to form:

