

**CLARK COUNTY EMS DISTRICT #2
STAFF REPORT**

DEPARTMENT: Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency - EMS Program

DATE: October 29, 2013

REQUEST: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding that extends the EMS Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Contract Addendum #8

BACKGROUND: March 12, 2013, the City of Vancouver advised Clark County EMS District #2 (District) of its intent to withdraw from the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement upon the expiration of the current Ambulance Contract and to administer its own ambulance contract. This division of the ambulance contract service area between the City of Vancouver and the District has clinical and financial challenges that require Vancouver and the District to work together to create a seamless EMS system as much as possible. As a result of this decision, the City of Vancouver awarded a professional services contract to Fitch and Associates, LLC (Fitch) to facilitate negotiations between the District and Vancouver on ambulance contract specifications and development of a joint RFP and procurement process. Fitch's scope of work includes a draft timeline of tasks that requires an extension to the current EMS Interlocal Agreement and Ambulance Contract from September 30, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

The EMS Interlocal Cooperation Agreement makes possible the consolidated regulation and group purchasing of ambulance services within the District. The Agreement delegates the District, the County, Participating Jurisdictions, and the EMS Administrative Board certain regulatory powers and contract administrative responsibilities, thereby "pooling" the purchasing powers of the participating jurisdictions to secure clinically superior and more economically stable ambulance service.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: The current ambulance contract services area that includes the City of Vancouver was re-confirmed in the 2014 EMS System Design Decisions as recommended by the EMS Administrative Board and approved by the District on July 9, 2013. These Decisions involved specific workgroups composed of over seven committees and 30 individuals who provided over 770 hours of input over a two year period of time. On June 4, 2013, the District directed staff to work on a joint ambulance RFP with Vancouver to maintain a seamless EMS system as much as possible.

BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding has no budget impact, or change to the EMS policy decisions other than duration of the Contract.

FISCAL IMPACTS

Yes (see attached form) No

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding that extends the EMS Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Contract Addendum #8

Anna Pendergrass, Director
Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency

Approved _____
CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Attachments: 1) MOU R.E., Extension of the EMS Interlocal Cooperation Agreement
2) Resolution for Contract Addendum #8

ATTACHMENT 1

ATTACHMENT 2