

Meeting Date
1-23-18



ADD ON

AGENDA	
Section	PUBLIC HEARING
Item No.	IV D

AGENDA REPORT
BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT:	Request approval to modify EMS Rate Resolution No. 09-65 to reflect proposed increase to EMS User Fees. Fiscal Impact: Projected Annual Revenue Increase of \$1,000,000.00
DEPT/OFFICE:	Fire Rescue Department

Requested Action:
Request Board approval to adopt adjusted user fees (identified below) and approve annual adjustment to user fee rates based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Rate Resolution No. 09-65 will be modified to reflect changes.

Summary Explanation & Background:

On January 9, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners, in regular session approved Fire Rescue's request for an adjustment to the current ambulance patient billing rates. Staff provided the Board with two (2) user fee options for consideration. Also discussed was introducing rate resolution language that provides for an annual user fee rate adjustment tied to the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The newly approved user fee represents a 6.3% revenue increase; cumulative CPI since the year 2009 (last user fee increase) is 15.75%.

The Board selected and approved Option 1; this user fee option represents the average rate among 56 county and municipal ambulance providers. The newly approved rates are identified below:

Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$683.00
Advanced Life Support 1 (ALS1)	\$733.00
Advanced Life Support 2 (ALS2)	\$803.00
Mileage	\$ 11.75

FISCAL IMPACT: FY 18 - \$670,000 User Fee Revenue Increase
FY 19 - \$1,000,000 User Fee Revenue Increase

CONTACT: Mark Schollmeyer, Fire Chief
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Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Exhibits Attached: New Resolution; Strikethrough-Underlined Resolution No. 09-65.

Contract /Agreement (If attached): Reviewed by County Attorney Yes No PR

County Manager Frank Abbate	Assistant County Manager John Denninghoff	Department Director / Extension Mark Schollmeyer, Fire Chief
	Interim Assistant County Manager Jim Liesenfelt	



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January 24, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Mark Schollmeyer, Fire Rescue Director

RE: Item IV.D., Resolution to Amend EMS Rate Resolution No. 09-65, Reflecting Proposed Increase to EMS User Fees

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on January 23, 2018, adopted Resolution No. 18-07, adjusting user fees; and approved annual adjustment to user fee rates based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Enclosed is a certified copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

/kp

Encl. (1)

cc: County Manager
Finance
Budget

RESOLUTION NO. 18-07

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 09-65
AMENDING THE FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF BREVARD COUNTY,
FLORIDA, FOR EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES; PROVIDING
FOR A SPECIFIED SERVICE AREA; AND PROVING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 125.01(1) (e) , Florida Statutes, grants boards of county commissioners the power to provide ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 71-556, Special Acts of Florida (1971), grants boards of county commissioners the power to grant exclusive and non-exclusive franchises for the maintenance and operation of the business of providing emergency and non-emergency ambulance services in both the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 71-556, Special Acts of Florida (1971), grants boards of county commissioners the option to operate and maintain exclusive county ambulance services within any and all parts of the incorporated and unincorporated areas of this county; and to exclude the maintenance and operation of any other municipality, person, firm, association or corporation of ambulance services, both emergency and non-emergency, in such areas as the county elects to operate county ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida has exercised its option under Chapter 71-556, Special Acts of Florida (1971), to operate and maintain exclusive county emergency ambulance services within the service area described herein; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 71-556, Special Acts of Florida (1971), authorized boards of county commissioners to establish schedule of fees for the furnishing of ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, is desirous of revising the schedule of fees for the furnishing of ambulance services as adopted on April 14, 2009, in Resolution No. 09-65.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1. REVISED SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES. A revised schedule of fees and charges specified herein is hereby established and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, for the Brevard County Emergency Medical Services to operate and maintain emergency ambulances services:

a. Ambulance Services:	Advanced Life Support 2 (ALS 2)	\$ 803.00
	Advanced Life Support 1 (ALS 1)	\$ 733.00
	Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$ 683.00

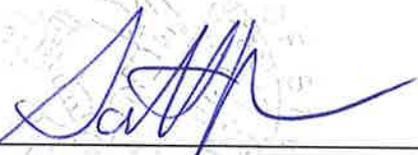
- b. Oxygen Services: \$ 25.00
- c. Mileage within the jurisdictional boundaries of Brevard County: \$ 11.75
This rate is per patient transit mile. (The term "transport mile" shall mean the number of miles traveled while the patient is being transported).
- d. On-Scene Patient Flight Preparation, No Transport (Per Patient): \$ 135.00
- e. Mileage outside the jurisdictional boundaries of Brevard County: \$ 11.75
- f. Special Assists, No Transport: \$ 35.00
- g. Should the billing rate for BLS, ALS 1, ALS 2 or mileage fall below the rate at which Medicare reimburses, the affected rate shall be increased to match the Medicare reimbursable rate.
- h. Billing rates shall adjust annually based on changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

SECTION 2. SERVICE AREA. The schedule of fees and charges herein revised apply to all individuals for the provision of emergency medical services within the jurisdictional boundaries of Brevard County.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall become effective 12:00 a.m., February 1, 2018.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 23rd, day of January, 2018.

ATTEST:



Scott Ellis, Clerk of the Court

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA



By: Rita Pritchett, Chair

As Approved by the Board on: 1-23-18



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Text of Ad:

AD# 2661070 1/13/2018
Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Board of
County Commissioners of Brevard County
Florida, on January 23, 2018 at 9:00
am, in the Commission Room at 2725
Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building C,
First Floor, Viera, Florida, 32940, will
hold a public hearing on the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 18-
A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION
NO. 09-65 AMENDING THE FEES AND
CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR
EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES;
PROVIDING FOR A SPECIFIED SERVICE
AREA; AND PROVING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.

Interested parties may appear at the
January 23, 2018 meeting and be heard
with respect to the proposed resolution.

If a person decides to appeal any
decision made by the board, agency, or
commission with respect to any matter
considered at such meeting or hearing, he
or she will need a record of the
proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he
or she may need to ensure that a verbatim
record of the proceedings is made,
which record includes the testimony and
evidence upon which the appeal is
based.

Persons seeking to preserve a verbatim
transcript of the record must make those
arrangements at their own expense.
The needs of the hearing or visually
impaired persons shall be met if the
department sponsoring the
meeting/hearing is contacted at least 5
(five) days prior to the public
meeting/hearing by any person wishing
assistance. The sponsoring department
is the Fire Rescue Department,
telephone number (321) 633-2056.