

City of Ann Arbor

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Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve a Two-Year Service Agreement with Emergent Health Partners for Ann Arbor Fire Department Dispatch and Related Services and Appropriate Funding (\$348,674.25/2yrs) (8 Votes Required)

Emergent Health Partners (EHP) has provided fire dispatch services since 2009. The two-year service agreement with EHP provides fire department dispatching services for FY2025 and FY2026. This contract includes an 18% increase in FY 2025 above current costs and an additional 5% increase in FY 2026. The City of Ann Arbor is in a weak position to negotiate pricing given the lack of providers for such services. Viable alternatives are being explored for a unified public safety dispatch solution. Should an alternative be found, this contract provides a six (6) month notice of termination clause.

EHP complies with the City's Non-Discrimination and Living Wage ordinances.

<u>Budget/Fiscal Impact:</u> The increase in the contract with EHP was not anticipated. It is being requested that \$27,000.00 be appropriated from the General Fund fund balance for FY 2025 for the additional cost of the contract.

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Reviewed by: Mike Kennedy, Fire Chief

Approved by: Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

Whereas, EHP has provided dispatching services for the Ann Arbor Fire Department since July 1, 2009;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is continuing to explore a unified public safety dispatch solution; however, there is not an immediate alternative to EHP;

Whereas, The increase in the contract with EHP was not anticipated in the FY 2025 budget; and

Whereas, EHP complies with the City's Non-Discrimination and Living Wage ordinances;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve a two-year service agreement with Emergent Health Partners for dispatching and related services for a total not to exceed amount of \$348,674.25;

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$27,000.00 from the General Fund fund balance to the FY 2025 Fire Department General Fund expenditure budget;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the agreement for services after approval as to substance by the City Administrator and approval as to form by the City Attorney; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take all necessary actions to implement this resolution, including, if deemed in the best interest of the City, authorization of renewal of the contract

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under the terms of the initial agreement.