

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Transition EMS Transport Agreement with AMR (Staff Recommends Approval).

REQUESTED ACTION: Staff Recommends Approval

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting **DATE OF MEETING:** 3/22/2022

CONTRACT: N/A Vendor/Entity: AMR
Effective Date: Termination Date: On or before 10/1/22
Managing Division / Dept: **Fire & EMS**

BUDGET IMPACT: No additional impact for the planned costs for the integration of EMS Transport with Sumter County Fire & EMS

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund

Type: Annual **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** _____

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

In a similar fashion as provided by the Board for the Village Center Community Development District, this transition contract provides a level of continuity in service should Sumter County Fire & EMS not meet the goal of full operation by 10/1/22. It also provides the opportunity for a second dedicated provider to reduce the demand for mutual aid support to this area of service by others as well as providing these units first for mutual aid to the Village Center Community District when called upon and approved.

The transition contract provides a certain level of dedicated service for the non-Villages designated area of Sumter County as Sumter County receives its ambulances and begins to operate the EMS transport activities. The transition contract also provides the hybrid opportunity during the transition period (not to exceed three years) where both EMS transport operations in the non-Villages designated area of Sumter County co-exist.

There is no subsidy payment to AMR in the transition agreement. The agreement does provide for the opportunity for Sumter County's paramedics to gain experience directly with AMR transport units and gain a reimbursement for Sumter County concurrently. The intent is to keep the AMR units in the higher volume areas until the transition is fully implemented.

Sumter County Fire & EMS would determine the posting plan to meet its planned performance measures that considers response times, transport times, and hospital off-load times.

The transition contract does not provide for any inter-facility transport (IFT) in the area of service by AMR as HCA Healthcare request their facility have IFT provided by their in-house operations; therefore, this is consistent with the Board's approved direction that Sumter County only provide first response EMS transport operations.

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