

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency – EMS Program

DATE: October 29, 2013

REQUEST: Approve Modifications to the EMS District #2 Boundaries

CHECK ONE: Consent CAO

BACKGROUND: On June 4, 2013, Clark County Fire District #5 advised Clark County EMS District #2 (District) that it will withdraw from the District upon the expiration of the current District ambulance contract¹. This decision is based on Fire District #5 contracting with the City of Vancouver for fire services. March 12, 2013, the City of Vancouver, advised the 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.

In 1987, Clark County created the District pursuant to RCW 36.32.480 to provide EMS to certain unincorporated areas of Clark County which included the area within Fire District #5. Since 1992, the District and the incorporated areas of Battle Ground, LaCenter, Ridgefield, LaCenter and Vancouver have participated through an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the group purchasing of ambulance service administered by the District.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: The current ambulance contract services area that includes Fire District #5 and 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.

BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS: The division of the ambulance contract service area has clinical and financial challenges. In order not to negatively impact the quality and cost of ambulance service, Vancouver and the District will need to work together to create a seamless EMS system. 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.

FISCAL IMPACTS

Yes (see attached form)

No

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider approval for modifications to the EMS District #2 Boundaries.



Anna Pendergrass, Director
Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency

Approved 

CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SR 213-13 OCT. 29, 2013

Attachments: 1) Modification to EMS District #2 Ordinance 1991-09-23

¹ Anticipated expiration date of December 31, 2014.

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ORDINANCE # 2013-10-19
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT #2

10 AN ORDINANCE relating to the provisions of emergency medical services;
11 modifying the boundaries of Emergency Medical Services District No. 2 (District)
12 created by Ordinance No. 1987-10-22 and amended by Ordinance No. 1991-09-23.

13 WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 1987-10-22, the Board created the District to
14 service certain unincorporated areas of Clark County; and

15 WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 1991-09-23 the Board modified the
16 boundaries of said District to include the territory falling within Fire Protection
17 District No. 6; and

18 WHEREAS, since 1992, the incorporated areas of Battle Ground,
19 LaCenter, Ridgefield, LaCenter and Vancouver have participated through an
20 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the group purchasing of ambulance service
21 administered by the District; and

22 WHEREAS, on March 12, 2013, the City of Vancouver, advised the
23 District of its intent to withdraw from the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement upon
24 the expiration of the current ambulance contract and to administer its own
25 ambulance contract; and

26 WHEREAS, on June 4, 2013, Fire Protection District No. 5 advised the
27 District that it will end its association with District upon the expiration of the current

1 ambulance contract based on Fire Protection District No. 5 contracting for fire and
2 emergency medical services from Vancouver Fire Department;

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4 NOW, THEREFORE,

5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
6 CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON that that legal description of the
7 boundaries of Emergency Medical Services District No. 2 created by Ordinance
8 1987-10-22 is modified as follows:

9 All of Clark County, State of Washington , with the exception of and
10 excluding as they appear on the adoption date of this ordinance: (1)
11 those areas incorporated into the city or town limits of Camas,
12 Vancouver, Washougal, and Yacolt; (2) those areas being within
13 the boundaries of Clark County Fire Protection District Nos. 1, 5
14 and 9; and (3) that area known as North Country Emergency
15 Medical Service District No. 1, more particularly described in Clark
16 County Ordinance No. 1986-09-19 as amended by Ordinance No.
17 1987-08-09; and further excluding upon annexation those areas of
18 Clark County, Washington, which shall become incorporated areas
19 of cities and towns named above.
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ADOPTED this 29th day of October, 2013.

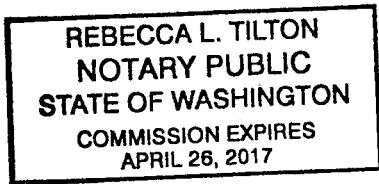
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By:  _____
Steve Stuart, Chair

By: _____
David Madore, Commissioner

By: _____
Tom Mielke, Commissioner

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 29th day of Oct., 2013



NOTARY
PUBLIC in and for the State of
Washington, residing at Vancouver,
therein.

My Commission expires: 4/26/17

THE COUNTY OF CLARK

ATTEST: Rebecca L. Tilton
COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED as to form this day of
_____, 2013.

Chris Home
Chris Home, Chief Civil Deputy

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