

TO: City Council
FROM: John Marchione, Mayor
DATE: January 7, 2014
SUBJECT: **TECHNICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT
MEDICAL DIRECTION**

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the renewal of the Medical Director Services Agreement for the Advanced Life Support Program.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS:

Tommy Smith, Fire Chief	425-556-2202
Russ Albertson, Deputy Chief of OPS	425-556-2201

III. DESCRIPTION:

The City of Redmond entered into a contract with King County Public Health to provide Advanced Life Support services to NE King County. Each agency providing emergency medical services must adhere to standards of medical care for the triage, treatment, and transport of patients and must provide such care under the authorization of a King County Medical Program Director (Contractor) or a delegate physician pursuant to RCW 18.71.210 and RCW 18.71.215.

This is a renewal of the 2012-2013 Agreement. The 2014-2015 Agreement will be retroactive beginning January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2015. Dr. Adrian Whorton has agreed to continue his administration of this valuable program.

IV. IMPACT:

Fiscal: Monthly payments of \$4,211.70 in fiscal year 2014 paid to Dr. Whorton out of Fund 122. In 2015, the monthly payments will increase by an amount equivalent to the annual average change in the Consumer Price Index – Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area. Total not-to-exceed \$99,197.00

V. ALTERNATIVES:

The Council could choose not to approve the attached agreement, which would cause the City to be non-compliant with its Advanced Life Support contract with King County.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS:

The previous agreement ended on December 31, 2013.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Proposed Agreement for Technical Services between the City of Redmond and Adrian Whorton, M.D.

Tommy Smith, Fire Chief

Date

Approved for Council Agenda _____
John Marchione, Mayor

Date

EXHIBITS A, B & C

SCOPE OF WORK, WORK & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Scope of Work & Work Schedule. For the purpose of performing work under this agreement, the CONTRACTOR'S title shall be Medical Director. The CONTRACTOR shall:

1. Report to the CITY'S Fire Chief or designees regarding services relevant to this Agreement.
2. Meet with said Fire Chief or respective designees at least monthly to provide program, performance and system feedback regarding the CITY provision of emergency medical services.
3. Review emergency medical calls and recommend to the CITY's Fire Chief improvements regarding the CITY's emergency medical services system.
4. Supervise and review results of paramedic training and approve certification and re-certification in accordance with applicable state regulations and approved standard operation procedures.
5. Evaluate paramedic performance and recommend to the CITY's Fire Chief any necessary formal disciplinary or corrective action, including retraining, disciplinary measures, and termination; and at the request of the CITY's Fire Chief and/or Deputy Chief of Emergency Medical Services, provide input in the hiring process.
6. Direct, personally and by delegating to other Evergreen Hospital physicians with special knowledge in emergency care who are available 24 hours a day, on the radio and/or by using other communications devices, paramedic activities related to patient care at the scene of medical emergencies.
7. Perform the duties specified hereunder in accordance with applicable state regulations.
8. Exercise final authority over paramedics and other agents of Redmond while performing emergency medical services, and may suspend a paramedic from providing medical treatment under the CONTRACTOR'S license. PROVIDED, that nothing in this agreement shall limit or diminish the ultimate administrative authority of the CITY'S Fire Chief.

Delegation of Duties. Whenever the CONTRACTOR is absent from the area for a period longer than four weeks and/or is unavailable to perform the duties and responsibilities of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall formally appoint a qualified replacement ("the Replacement") to assume and perform the contractual duties and responsibilities during said absence. The CONTRACTOR shall advise the CITY'S Fire Chief or Deputy Chief of Emergency Medical Services or their respective designees of the Replacement's name and

qualifications prior to commencement of the CONTRACTOR'S unavailable status. Appointment of the Replacement shall be subject to approval by the CITY. The Replacement shall, prior to performing any of the services specified hereunder, agree in writing to abide by all provisions of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall be exclusively responsible for compensation the Replacement for services provided hereunder, and no additional compensation shall be provided by the CITY for services performed by the Replacement.

Payment Schedule. Payment shall be made in accordance with payment terms outlined in paragraph #3 of the Agreement however, in lieu of the CONTRACTOR submitting an invoice for services each month, the CITY will, upon verification and approval of the previous month's performance of services, pay the CONTRACTOR a fixed amount of \$4,211.70 each month for the fiscal year January – December 2014. For the year 2015, the monthly payment shall be increased by an amount equivalent to the Consumer Price Index – Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (“the CPI-W”) for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor – Bureau of Labor Statistics (www.bls.gov).