

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	44286	Agenda Number	3.
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Meeting Date:	5/21/2015	Department:	Emergency Medical Services
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal cooperation agreement between the City and Travis County Emergency Services District (ESD) 5, to allow the Emergency Medical Services Department to locate an ambulance at ESD 5, Station # 1.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This interlocal agreement is between the City of Austin Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Travis County Emergency Services District (ESD) 5 to house a City funded ambulance and crew in ESD 5 - Station # 1, which is located at 665 FM 1626, Austin, Texas 78748. The cost to the City will be \$1.

The agreement will allow the on-duty EMS crew to use the ESD station facilities between calls. EMS would locate an existing peak load ambulance in the ESD station that is on duty 12 hours a day 7 days a week. EMS retains the ability to relocate the ambulance and crew at any time should the need change.

Based on a system analysis, this location was selected because the ambulance would have the greatest impact to areas of the city in greatest need of response time improvements, specifically Council District 2 and 5. There are currently no other City stations to house this ambulance and crew in the desired area. The ambulance placement, although in the county, has extremely close proximity to critical areas of the city including Onion Creek, South Manchaca Rd., and Brodie Lane.

EMS has a response time goal for our most time-critical patients of 9 minutes and 59 seconds or less, 90% of the

time. This is from the time EMS answers the 911 call to the time the ambulance arrives on-scene.