

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 65531 Agenda Number 14.

Meeting Date: 12/15/2016 Department: Emergency Medical Services

## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with Travis County to provide emergency medical services in areas of Travis County outside the City's corporate limits and dispatch support services to Travis County's STAR Flight program for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2016 in exchange for payment of \$16,632,804 by Travis County.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding from Travis County is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department, as amended.

Fiscal Note	
A fiscal note is not required.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Approval of Interlocal Agreement on September 26, 2013, Amendment One on September 25, 2014 and Amendment Two on October 1, 2015.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

The Emergency Medical Services Department (EMS) has been providing emergency medical services to Travis County for over thirty years. The most recent interlocal agreement with Travis County for EMS services was signed by the Assistant City Manager on January 7, 2016, for FY 2015 - 2016. This agreement enhances the City's provision of EMS services to those areas of Travis County that are located outside the City of Austin's corporate limits by providing a performance based agreement. The EMS Department is currently providing service in Travis County within a 123 day "Holdover Term" defined within the prior agreement. The current Interlocal allows for this 123 Holdover Term if the next agreement is not approved before October 1st of the next fiscal year. The Holdover Term continues the prior agreements terms and conditions and allows for the parties to negotiate any new terms after each governments budget process has concluded. Travis County requested that the holdover term be exercised because of the timing of their budget approval process. The current 123 day Holdover Term will expire on January 31st, 2017. The monthly EMS fee to be paid to the City will be increased by \$529,627 for FY 2016 - 2017.

Goals of the negotiation are to align fees to approved budget, clarify the roles and the responsibilities of all parties associated within the EMS System including the Office of the Medical Director, EMS Department, Travis County and First Responder agencies. The amendment corrects some formatting and numbering issues.