

**ITEM G-15
BUDGET RIDER
CM LESLIE POOL**

DESCRIPTION:

This item would invest \$175,000 this year in replacing Emergency Medical Services' (EMS) outdated system for tracking patients' medical records.

IMPACT:

This item would reduce funding of EMS Service Delivery Mode Study from \$250,000 to \$75,000 and utilize the corresponding \$175,000 to update EMS' software for tracking patient records.

COUNCIL DIRECTION:

Council directs the City Manager to decrease funding of the EMS Service Delivery Mode Study by \$175,000 and utilize that \$175,000 to implement an update to EMS' electronic patient records system.

Council directs the City Manager to coordinate with other stakeholders to explore opportunities for lowering the City of Austin's costs going forward.



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Late Backup

September 8, 2017

Steve Adler, Mayor, City of Austin
Austin City Council
301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, TX

Dear Mayor Adler and Council,

I would like to confirm my Department's commitment to work with Austin Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in developing population health improvement programs. We have had fruitful discussions around healthcare integration of EMS with hospital and primary care services. We are very interested in continued collaboration with EMS as it explores new service lines and stronger connections with healthcare community.

Sincerely yours,

William M. Tierney

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