

RESOLUTION NO. RES-15-0090

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE MASTER FEE
AND CHARGES SCHEDULE BY ADOPTING THE FIRE
FIRST RESPONDER FEE

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Fire Department ("LBFD") proposes to
implement a First Responder Fee to partially offset the costs of providing emergency
medical services; and

WHEREAS, in FY15, the LBFD has budgeted \$11.3 million in ambulance
transport revenue, which includes \$400,000 in budgeted ground emergency medical
transportation revenue; and

WHEREAS, the annual budget cost of providing paramedic services totals
\$22.1 million annually, far exceeding budget revenue; and

WHEREAS, there is a significant cost associated with providing fire engine
response to medical incidents, which comprise approximately 85% of all responses; and

WHEREAS, the LBFD proposes to charge a \$250 First Responder Fee to
patients that are medically evaluated and treated by Fire staff on a first responder unit;
and

WHEREAS, the Fee is consistent with what other California agencies
charge and assumes full recovery of personnel, apparatus, emergency medical supplies
and equipment, and administrative costs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, at a duly noticed public hearing, took public
testimony and input regarding certain proposed new service fees and charges; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section
66016, at least fourteen (14) days prior to the public hearing at which this Resolution is
adopted, notice of the time and place of the hearing was mailed to eligible interested

1 parties who filed written requests with the City for mailed notice of meetings regarding
2 new fees or service charges; and

3 WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Government Code
4 66016, data regarding the estimated cost of the services and the revenue sources
5 anticipated to provide the services was available for public review and comment for ten
6 (10) days prior to the public hearing at which this Resolution was adopted; and

7 WHEREAS, publication of the notice of public hearing was given in
8 accordance with the provisions of the Government Code Section 6062a, ten (10) days in
9 advance of the public hearing at which the adoption of this Resolution was considered;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby
11 resolves as follows:

12 Section 1. The facts set forth in the Recitals of this Resolution are true
13 and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference herein as though set forth in full.

14 Section 2. The City Council finds that the First Responder Fee provisions
15 contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference, provide for the
16 charging of reasonable Fire First Responder Fees to patients that are medically
17 evaluated and treated by Fire staff on a first responder unit.

18 Section 3. The City Council hereby adopts and approves the new,
19 increased, or adjusted fees and charges as set forth and described in Exhibit "A",
20 attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, as though set forth in full,
21 word for word. The fees and charges set forth in said Exhibit "A" shall thereafter be
22 incorporated into those fees and charges previously adopted and approved by the City
23 Council by Resolution and shall collectively be known as the Master Fee and Charges
24 Schedule of the City of Long Beach and may be made available to the public for its
25 information and review.

26 Section 4. Adoption of the new fees and charges set forth and described
27 in this Resolution for the specified City services, as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto
28 and incorporated herein by this reference, are intended to recover costs necessary to

1 provide the services within the City for which the fees are charged. In adopting the new
2 or increased fees and charges set forth in this Resolution, the City Council of the City of
3 Long Beach is exercising its powers under Article XI, Section 7 of the California
4 Constitution.

5 Section 5. All requirements of California Government Code Sections
6 66000, et seq., are hereby found to have been satisfied.

7 Section 6. The fees and charges adopted and all portions of this
8 Resolution are severable. Should any of the fees or charges or any portion of this
9 Resolution be adjudged to be invalid and unenforceable by a body of competent
10 jurisdiction, then the remaining fees and/or Resolution portions shall be, and continue to
11 be, in full force and effect, except as to those fees and/or Resolution portions that have
12 been adjudged invalid. The City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby declares that it
13 would have adopted each of the fees or charges and this Resolution and each section,
14 subsection, clause, sentence, phrase and other portion thereof, irrespective of the fact
15 that one or more of the service fees, charges or sections, subsections, clauses,
16 sentences, phrases or other portions of this Resolution may be held invalid or
17 unconstitutional.

18 Section 7. All provisions of prior City Council ordinances and resolutions
19 establishing Fire First Responder Fees are hereby rescinded and repealed in part or in
20 whole to the extent of any conflict between said ordinances and resolutions and the
21 provisions established by this Resolution.

22 Section 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
23 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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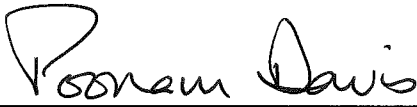
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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of July 21, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Lowenthal, Price, Supernaw, Mungo, Andrews, Uranga, Austin, Richardson.

Noes: Councilmembers: Gonzalez.

Absent: Councilmembers: None.



City Clerk

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EXHIBIT "A"

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List of Proposed Fee Adjustments for Fiscal Year 2015 (FY 15)

Fee Description	Current Fee	Requested Fee	Per	Annual Revenue Change	Fund
Department: Fire					
MEDICAL TRANSPORT					
First Responder Fee	\$0	\$250	Patient that is medically evaluated and treated by Fire staff on a first responder unit	*	GENERAL
TOTAL (All Funds)				*	

*Information Not Available At This Time
July 21, 2015