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Honorable Mayor & Members Fort Lauderdale City Commission	
Lee Feldman, City Manager	

DATE: September 5, 2012

TITLE: A Resolution for Establishing a Transport User Fee for Interfacility and Routine Transfer Services

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution establishing transport user fees for interfacility and routine transfer services.

Background

The Fire-Rescue Department of the City of Fort Lauderdale has received a Class 2 – ALS Transfer license and on January 17, 2012, the City Commission adopted a Resolution No. 12-14, authorizing the Fire-Rescue Department to perform interfacility transfers between two facilities licensed by the State of Florida. Section 13-152, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, provides that "additional categories of ambulance transport user fees may be established and said user fees may be adjusted/amended through a resolution of the City Commission, adopted at a regular scheduled meeting." Pursuant to Section 13-152, an ambulance transport user fee for interfacility and routine transfer services is established as follows: The fee for interfacility and routine transfer service shall be an amount that is ten percent higher than the average of the fee charged for each service by all providers of such services in Broward County, Florida, as of September 19, 2012, or such other amount established by contract between the City of Fort Lauderdale and a facility licensed by the State of Florida. These transport fees shall increase by three percent effective October 1, 2012 and then October 1 of each succeeding year. The three percent increase applied to the transport fees does not apply to transport fees that have been established by contract between the City of Fort Lauderdale and a facility licensed by the State of Florida.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact to the city in the amount of \$1,340,137 in proposed revenue for fiscal year 2013.