



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#14-1222

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 21, 2014

TITLE: Motion to approve a Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with Advanced
Data Processing, Inc., d/b/a Intermedix

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a Business Associate Agreement with Advanced Data Processing, Inc., d/b/a Intermedix, a Delaware corporation authorized to transact business in the State of Florida.

Background

On May 17, 2011 (CAR 11-0629), the City Commission approved a three year contract to provide emergency medical services and ambulance billing and electronic patient care reporting system services.

The Department of Health and Human Services released a final rule implementing various changes under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"). The rule requires that specific changes be made to existing Business Associate Agreements (BAA). The attached BAA has been updated in accordance with this directive.

The updates to the BAA are intended to ensure compliance with the rule. The current BAA requires that both parties take any necessary action to implement any new or modified standards and requirements under HIPAA.

Resource Impact

There will be no fiscal impact to the City.

Strategic Connections:

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be a City well-prepared for and responsive to all hazards.
- Objective 2: Provide quick and exceptional fire, medical, and emergency response.
- Initiative 2: Remain on the leading edge of advanced pre-hospital medical interventions.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*

Attachment:

Exhibit 1 – Business Associate Agreement

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