

ORDINANCE NO. C-17-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE V, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SERVICES, OF CHAPTER 13, FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, SECTION 13-151, AMBULANCE TRANSPORT USER FEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, BY INCREASING AMBULANCE TRANSPORT USER FEES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Department provides basic life support, advanced life support and emergency medical transport services; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City to establish and charge user fees for providing certain emergency medical transport services; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-151, Ambulance transport user fees, of Article V, Emergency Medical Transport Services, of Chapter 13, Fire Prevention and Protection, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, provides for user fees for ambulance transport services provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, the cost of services provided by the City of Fort Lauderdale's Fire Rescue Department has increased since the fees were last established; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that it is necessary to amend the Code of Ordinances to adopt these fee increases in order to recover the costs incurred by the City in delivering emergency medical transport services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed user fees are reasonable and rationally related to the services provided by the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That Section 13-151, Ambulance Transport User Fees, of Article V, Emergency Medical Transport Services, of Chapter 13, Fire Prevention and Protection, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to provide as follows:

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The user fee rates for basic life support and advanced life support emergency medical transport services provided by the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Department are hereby established as follows:

BLS Ambulance Transport (per patient/ per transport) ~~\$700.00~~\$950.00

ALS 1 Ambulance Transport (per patient/per transport) ~~\$700.00~~\$950.00

ALS 2 Ambulance Transport (per patient/per transport) ~~\$750.00~~\$1,000.00

Plus, Transport mileage (per patient/per mile) \$13.00

Plus, Oxygen charge (per patient if applicable) \$ 30.30

SECTION 2. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten days from the date of final passage.

PASSED FIRST READING this the _____ day of _____, 2017.

PASSED SECOND READING this the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI

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