

PUBLIC HEARING OF MARCH 21, 1995

(Meeting convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:23 p.m.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by Commissioner Cowan.

1. A. MOTION TO ACCEPT report of the Broward County Regional Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Council regarding regional EMS system improvements.

ACTION: (B-77) The Board accepted the report.

B. MOTION TO ACCEPT report of the EMS Blue Ribbon Committee regarding regional EMS system improvements.

ACTION: (B-77) The Board accepted the report.

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2. MOTION TO CONSIDER enactment of an ordinance, the substance of which is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A SUBUNIT WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING AND BENEFIT UNIT TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; AMENDING CHAPTER 30, ARTICLE XII, SECTION 30-453 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO THE LIST OF TYPES OF SUBUNITS WHICH MAY BE CREATED; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES OF SUCH SUBUNIT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION TO LEVY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AND SERVICE CHARGES WITHIN THE SUBUNIT; PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORIZATION TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES WITHIN THE SUBUNIT; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND ADVANCE OF COUNTY FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners)

ACTION: (B-289) The Board enacted ordinance 95-14, as amended, to be effective as provided by law, and approved all the amendments contained in Exhibit B package with the implementation date of October 1, 1996. Also, the Board approved all the amendments contained in Amendment C, and to delete all references to ad valorem taxes.

END OF PUBLIC HEARING

3. A. MOTION TO DIRECT County Attorney's Office to prepare an amendment to Chapter 3^{1/2} relating to emergency medical services and providing for the inclusion of an additional class of service called ALS First Responder and providing a mechanism for EMS system oversight.

ACTION: (C-2105) Approved.

B. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution 95-286 transferring \$1,099,260 from the General Fund Commission Reserve to a transfer account in the Emergency Medical Services Fund for the purpose of improving the existing County EMS system through enhanced communications and ALS First Responders.

ACTION: (C-2105) Approved.

C. MOTION TO ADOPT unanticipated revenue Resolution 95-287 within the Emergency Medical Services Fund in the amount of \$1,099,260 to fund additional EMS improvements through enhanced communications and ALS First Responders.

ACTION: (C-2105) Approved.

D. MOTION TO INCREASE the personnel cap within the Fire Rescue Division by 5 Communication Operator I's.

ACTION: (C-2105) Approved.

E. MOTION TO APPROVE conceptually the assumption of transportation of advanced life support (ALS) patients by the Fire Rescue Division.

ACTION: (C-2105) Approved. Commissioner Cowan asked that, during the period of time this changes from conceptual to reality, that the private providers be given the opportunity to address the county staff as to benefits of stratifying the ALS transport with the county doing the most serious transport and private providers less serious.

F. MOTION TO ADOPT budget Resolution 95-288 transferring \$723,420 from the General Fund Commission Reserve to a transfer account in the Emergency Medical Services Fund for the purpose of providing two additional full-time ALS rescue units.

ACTION: (C-2280) Approved.

G. MOTION TO ADOPT unanticipated revenue Resolution 95-289 within the Emergency Medical Services Fund in the amount of \$723,420 to fund two additional full-time ALS rescue units.

ACTION: (C-2280) Approved.

H. MOTION TO INCREASE the personnel cap within the Fire Rescue Division by 16 EMS'1's.

ACTION: (C-2280) Approved.

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