



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of August 31, 2021

DATE: August 26, 2021
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Corpus Christi Code Section 18-20 to Include Itemized Ambulance Rate Schedule

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending Corpus Christi Code for Fire Department by adding an ambulance fee schedule.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance amends Corpus Christi Section 18-20 of the City Code of Ordinance to include the itemized ambulance rate schedule as prior to 2018.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

In March of 2018 the Corpus Christi Section 18-20 City Code of Ordinance itemized ambulance rates were removed from the Code of Ordinance and filed with the City Secretary's Office.

In order to make the ambulance rates more accessible, the Corpus Christi Fire Department is placing the itemized ambulance rates back into the City Code of Ordinance as was done prior to 2018. The rates included are listed below.

	<u>Service or Item</u>	<u>Fee Per Service or Item</u>
(1)	EMS 911 base rate - Transport	\$1,385.00
(2)	EMS 911 base rate – No Transport	\$150.00
(3)	Oxygen	\$45.00
(4)	Advance Life Support (ALS) Routine Disposables	\$50.00
(5)	Basic Life Support (BLS) Routine Disposables	\$25.00

(e) Supplementary charges:

- (1) Providing a mileage charge of fifteen (\$15.00) per mile from patient pick-up point to the hospital.
- (2) Providing a fee for responding to a medical alarm which is a malfunction, no one at home, no one injured, sixty dollars (\$60.00).
- (3) Providing a charge of one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125.00) for emergency medical services provided to non-residents.
- (4) Providing a charge of forty-five dollars (\$45.00) for additional personnel when needed to provide patient care during transport.
- (5) Providing a charge to the facility of two hundred-fifty dollars (\$250.00) for Fire Department response to skilled nursing facility for the pick-up of a resident that does not require transport to a hospital.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative to accepting the ordinance amendment would be to reject the ordinance amendment and leave the itemized ambulance rate schedule out of the City Code of Ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

Funding Detail:

Fund:	N/A
Organization/Activity:	N/A
Mission Element:	N/A
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A
Account:	N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance amendment.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance