



AMERICAN CANYON FIRE FINANCE
SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA
JUNE 10, 2025

STAFF REPORT
BUSINESS
ITEM NUMBER: 4.

TITLE

Consideration of First Responder Fee Adjustment for Emergency Medical Services.

RECOMMENDATION

Review and provide direction on a proposed increase to the District's First Responder Fee for Emergency Medical Services.

CONTACT

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BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS

On November 5, 2019, the Board of Directors adopted Ordinance 2019-02, establishing a First Responder Fee to recover costs associated with the delivery of emergency medical services by the American Canyon Fire Protection District.

The Ordinance provides the Board with authority to revise the fee by resolution, consistent with applicable law, including:

- California Health and Safety Code Sections: 13146.2(b), 13217(b), 13862, 13869, 13871, 13874, 13916, and 17951
- California Government Code: Title 7, Division 1, Chapter 8
- District Ordinance 2019-02, Section 7

Historically, the fee adjustments have followed annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) changes. However, due to inflation and cost increases well beyond the CPI, a more substantial adjustment is considered necessary due to significant increases in operational costs.

Cost drivers include:

- Increased fuel costs, impacting response operations and readiness
- Higher prices for medical supplies and equipment, including PPE, and pharmaceuticals
- Rising personnel costs driven by labor market conditions and contractual obligations
- General inflation, affecting day-to-day service delivery

FISCAL IMPACT

Improve cost recovery for EMS responses and reduce the financial burden of the General Fund.

BOARD PRIORITY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Public Safety: "Ensure American Canyon remains a safe community"

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

None

ATTACHMENTS:

[1. Ordinance 2019-02 First Responder Fee](#)