



Agenda Item: 15.G
Date of Meeting: May 11, 2026
Department: Administration

STAFF REPORT

To: City Council
From: Pam Foster
Subject: **Amendment to the Agreement Between the County of Inyo The Bishop Paiute Tribe and City of Bishop For the Provision of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Cost Sharing.**
Prepared On: May 5, 2026
Attachments: Amendment Number 3 EMS Cost Sharing Agreement

Background/History:

In April of 2023 Symons Ambulance terminated its agreement to provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in the Bishop area. Beginning in July of 2023 Sierra Life Flight began providing EMS in the Bishop area. In January of 2024, the City of Bishop, the County of Inyo and the Bishop Paiute Tribe entered into an agreement to financially support EMS in the Bishop area.

Analysis/Discussion:

In June of 2025 the second amendment to the Cost Share Agreement was executed. The cost for the service remains the same as the past agreement based on population served. City of Bishop share is \$75,172, County of Inyo share is \$141,181 and the Bishop Paiute Tribe share is \$37,674 for a total of \$254,028.

Earlier this year, Inyo County issued an RFP for EMS Services and that process is currently ongoing and a new EMS contract is expected in the coming months. That contract will not be in place prior to the expiration of this agreement, therefore there is the need to consider this amendment until the new contract is in place.

Impacts to Council Goals and Strategic Planning Priorities:

Providing EMS Services to our community is a vital service.

Budget Impacts:

The annual cost of this agreement is \$75,172, although it is expected that this agreement will only be in place for a few months of the year.

Legal Review:

Recommended Action:

Council to consider approval of Amendment 3 of the EMS Cost Sharing Agreement.

Approved By: Pam Foster 5/5/226

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