

Agenda Item: 2.d

Meeting Date: April 30, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: City Commission

Date: 2024-04-09

From: Jeffrey Parks, Fire Chief

Subject: Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program Field Internship Agreement between the City of Dunedin and St. Petersburg College (SPC)

Presenter(s): Jeffrey Parks, Fire Chief

Recommend: Staff recommends the Commission approve the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program Field Internship Agreement between the City of Dunedin and St. Petersburg College.

Epic Goal(s): Goal #6 - Be a premier employer by fostering a diverse, highly engaged workforce through employee recruitment and attraction, workforce retention, employee development and inclusion initiatives.

Boards & Committees: N / A

Budget Impact: N / A

Past Action: The prior agreement, hereby replaced, was previously approved by the Commission during their Work Session held on May 2, 2017, under Agenda Item #A-4.

Next Action: N / A

Attachments: [A. SPC EMS Internship Agreement - \(Approved As To Form by JRC-BMO\).pdf](#),

Background: The City, first entered into an agreement with St. Petersburg College on May 2, 2017 to provide preceptors for students in the EMT and Paramedic

programs at the college. This program allows students to experience emergency medical calls in real time, and work with the preceptors to improve their skills as part of their training. The program has been beneficial to the City as we have several employees which have attended SPC, and were able to be precepted by other employees within the department.

The City has also benefited by attracting new employees which experienced our department during these ride-a-longs. This program results in no cost to the City, and the students are covered by insurance provided through the College. This new agreement has been reviewed and "Approved as to Form" by the City Attorney, Jennifer R. Cowan.

As such, staff hereby recommends the Commission approve the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program Field Internship Agreement, between the City of Dunedin and St. Petersburg College, as referenced herein.