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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 19, 2018

DATE: June 13, 2018

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: John Slaughter, County Manager
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SUBJECT: Approve Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Medical Services Oversight between the Washoe County Health District, Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire protection District, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks to allow representatives of the Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative's absence from meetings of the Advisory Board with alternates being a City or County Assistant Manager or Health District Division Director. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

During the January 4, 2018 EMS advisory Board meeting, Chair John Slaughter requested Council draft guidelines to allow alternates for Board membership. Council recommended an amendment to the ILA for EMS Oversight to allow representatives of the EMS Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative's absence from meetings, with alternates being a City or County Assistant Manager or Health District Division Director.

The Amendment was heard at the EMS Advisory Board meeting on April 5, 2018 and was approved with direction to staff to present the Amendment to the signing jurisdictions for possible approval and signature.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

During the October 6, 2016 EMS Advisory Board meeting, during the agenda item regarding the updated EMSAB bylaws, it was noted proxy votes were not permitted in the updated bylaws. Deputy District Attorney representing the EMSAB stated that alternates or proxies were addressed in the Open Meeting Law, and the enabling legislation creating the Board, being the ILA, would have to contain the authority for

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members to appoint proxies. Upon review of the language of the ILA, it was determined that it did not contain an allowance for proxies to be used.

During the January 4, 2018 meeting, Chairman Slaughter requested the DDA to draft guidelines to allow alternates for Board Membership.

During the April 5, 2018 meeting, EMS Advisory Board approved Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Medical Oversight.

During the April 26, 2018 District Board of Health meeting, Amendment #1 to the “Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Medical Services oversight between the Washoe County Health District, Washoe County, the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks to allow representatives of the Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative’s absence from meetings of the Advisory Board with alternates being a City or County Assistant Manager or Health District Division Director” was unanimously approved.

BACKGROUND

The ILA was approved by the Washoe County Health District, City of Reno, City of Sparks, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and Washoe County and became effective on August 26, 2014.

During the bylaws update agenda items at the October 6, 2016 EMS Advisory Board meeting there was discussion related to proxy appointments and whether that was allowable through the City Charters and/or ILA for EMS Oversight.

At the January 4, 2018 EMS Advisory Board meeting, Chairman Slaughter requested council draft guidelines to allow alternates for Board membership.

During the April 5, 2018 EMS Advisory Board meeting, Council presented Amendment #1 to the Board for considerations. The Amendment was approved by the EMS Advisory Board with recommendation for staff to bring the Amendment to the signing jurisdiction for possible approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no direct fiscal impact associated with the amendment to the ILA for EMS Oversight.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissions approve Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement For Emergency Medical Services Oversight between the Washoe County Health District, Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks to allow representatives of the Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative’s absence from meetings of the Advisory Board with alternates being a City or County Assistant Manager or Health District Division

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be:

“Move to approve Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement For Emergency Medical Services Oversight between the Washoe County Health District, Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks to allow representatives of the Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative's absence from meetings of the Advisory Board with alternates being a City of County Assistant Manager or Health District Division Director.”