Thursday, November 8, 2007

## Emergency Medical Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 19

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of Renewal of and Amendment Three to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Travis County to provide STAR Flight air ambulance services to renew the agreement through Fiscal Year 2007-2008 and amend fees payable to City and certain exhibits.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding from Travis County in the amount of \$1,551,156 was included in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Travis County Reimbursed Fund.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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**Prior Council Action:** The Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Interlocal Agreement with Travis County for STAR Flight Services was approved on December 2, 2004. The Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Renewal and Amendment One was approved on September 29, 2005. The Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Renewal and Amendment Two was approved on October 5, 2006.

The EMS Department has been involved in the provision of STAR Flight services with Travis County since the inception of this joint program. The current Interlocal Agreement with Travis County for STAR Flight services was approved by Council on December 2, 2004, and has been renewed and amended twice since 2004. The term of the current agreement expires on September 30, 2007, and it is renewable for one more term of one year.

This Renewal of and Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Interlocal Agreement will allow the City to continue to provide STAR Flight services to Travis County under the same terms and conditions that were approved by Council in December 2004, except that the monthly fee to be paid to the City will increase and certain exhibits will be amended to reflect administrative updates.

Travis County reimburses the City for these services through a flat monthly rate that corresponds to the City's annual operating budget for STAR Flight, as budgeted in the EMS Travis County Reimbursed Fund. The monthly fee amount has increased every year since FY 2005 to correspond to annual budget increases. The proposed amendment will increase the monthly fee for FY 2008 to \$129,263.00, a monthly increase of approximately \$13,885 from FY 2007.