

## AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	74604	Agenda Number	61.
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Meeting Date:	9/28/2017	Department:	Emergency Medical Services
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## Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance on first reading regarding the application submitted by Acadian Ambulance Service of Texas, Inc., to renew a non-emergency medical transfer franchise under Chapter 10-2 of the City Code. (Suggested date and time: October 5, 2017, 4:00 p.m., at Austin City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX.)

## Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

There is no anticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	August 30, 2007 to grant Acadian's initial franchise for a five year term. August 2, 2012 to grant Acadian a second franchise for a five year term.
For More Information:	Kerri Lang, Assistant Director, Administration and Finance 972-7211; Ernesto Rodriguez, Chief, 972-7148
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	The Austin-Travis County EMS Advisory Board reviewed this agenda item on August 24, 2017, and a five year renewal was approved on a motion of 7-0.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

Acadian Ambulance Service of Texas, LLC has held a non-emergency transfer franchise with the City of Austin since 2007. The franchise will expire on October 31, 2017. Acadian Ambulance Service of Texas, LLC is requesting a renewal of the franchise for a five-year term.

In order for a private ambulance company to provide non-emergency medical transfer service within the city limits it must obtain a franchise from the City of Austin. Chapter 10-2 of the City Code requires that a public hearing be held regarding such applications. The purpose of this RCA is to request that the City Council set a public hearing for 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2017, regarding a non-emergency transfer franchise application. Currently, two companies hold non-emergency transfer franchises in Austin. American Medical Response of Texas, Inc. (AMR) and Acadian Ambulance Services of Texas, LLC. (Acadian). Non-emergency medical transfers typically occur between nursing home facilities and hospitals and are usually prescheduled by medical personnel.

Staff analysis of Acadian's franchise renewal application has been complete with satisfactory findings. The analysis included a review of the applicant's operations, and performance ratings as a current franchise provider in Austin. The Austin – Travis County EMS Advisory Board reviewed the staff recommendations on August 24, 2017 prior to the public hearing that is being requested.