

**ORDINANCE NO. 20050818-009**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 2-1, ARTICLE 10 OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO THE AUSTIN – TRAVIS COUNTY EMS ADVISORY BOARD.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** Chapter 2-1, Article 10 of the City Code is repealed and replaced to read:

***ARTICLE 10. AUSTIN – TRAVIS COUNTY EMS ADVISORY BOARD.***

**§ 2-1-101 CREATION; MEMBERSHIP.**

(A) The Austin-Travis County EMS Advisory Board is created.

(B) The board shall be composed of nine members as follows:

- (1) a physician representative from the Travis County Medical Society Emergency Department/Emergency Medical Services Committee, appointed by the City Council;
- (2) the director of trauma surgery for the hospital that is designated by the Texas State Department of Health Services as the lead trauma hospital in Austin;
- (3) an emergency services district commissioner appointed by the Travis County Commissioners Court;
- (4) a local physician who is knowledgeable about emergency medical and trauma services, appointed by the Travis County Commissioners Court;
- (5) a Travis County representative appointed by the Travis County Commissioners Court;
- (6) a City of Austin representative appointed by the City Council;
- (7) a neighborhood group representative appointed by the City Council;

- (8) a corporate response group representative appointed by the City Council;  
and
  - (9) a consumer who is informed about issues relating to Emergency Medical Services appointed by the Travis County Commissioners Court.
- (C) The residency requirement of the Section 2-1-1 (*Residency Requirement*) is waived. A resident of the City of Austin or of Travis County is eligible to serve on the board.

**§ 2-1-102 TERMS.**

- (A) The board members enumerated in Section 2-1-101(B)(1), (3), (5), (6), and (8) shall serve two-year terms beginning on November 1.
- (B) The board members enumerated in Section 2-1-101(B)(2), (4), (7), and (9) shall serve three-year terms beginning on November 1.
- (C) Except for the board member appointed in an ex officio capacity under Section 2-1-101(B)(2), board members may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

**§ 2-1-103 QUORUM.**

Five members of the board constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.

**§ 2-1-104 PURPOSE; DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.**

- (A) The board shall consider and make recommendations to the City Council about the delivery of emergency medical services.
- (B) The board shall review the performance of the EMS system from the perspective of each organizations participating in the system and shall make recommendations to City Council regarding:
  - (1) use of the assets and resources of the various organizations participating in the EMS system; and
  - (2) the placement of EMS stations to help promote high quality and efficient service throughout Austin and Travis County.
- (C) The board may not exercise administrative control over the City of Austin Emergency Medical Services Department or an employee or that department.

**PART 2.** The terms of the initial nine members appointed are considered to begin on November 1, 2005, regardless of the actual date of appointment.

**PART 3.** This ordinance takes effect on August 29, 2005.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**


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August 18, 2005

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