Contract for EMS Medical Director Fire & Rescue Department CFO Verdell Franklin (x3515)

ORD. 19-19

Authorizing the expenditure from the General Fund for the payment of said services; authorizing the Mayor to accept bids and enter into a contract for medical direction for the Toledo's Fire and Rescue Department; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The Toledo Fire and Rescue Department operates a Citywide EMS first responder and transport service, including communications, dispatch and paramedic operations with paramedics utilizing established County-wide EMS protocols but employed by the City of Toledo, and the Consultant is Medical Director for the county-wide EMS system.

The Toledo Fire and Rescue Department will, as a condition of contracting, agree with the Consultant and the County to abide by dispatch protocols, paramedic protocols, treatment protocols, continuing education requirements and medication lists as developed and monitored by the Lucas County EMS Medical Director

Toledo Fire & Rescue Department's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Bureau is required by Ohio Revised Code to have and to report to the Ohio Department of Public Safety the name of its medical director. In addition to the State Requirement, the Medical Director is essential in the development of medical protocols and the conducting of quality assurance/quality improvement for the department.

In order for the medical director and the City of Toledo to be covered under medical liability insurance, there must be a valid contract with the physician or with his employer. This agreement is effective for one year with the option to renew for two one year periods. The Contract may be terminated with at least 120 days notice given by either party to the other. NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

- SECTION 1. That an expenditure not to exceed \$70,000 is authorized from the General Fund, Account Code 1001-53000-3341002STDSTD to provide medical direction to the Fire and Rescue Department.
- SECTION 2. That the Mayor, Fire Chief and the Commissioner of Purchasing are authorized to accept bids and enter into a one-year contract with two one-year renewal options for the services authorized in Section 1.
- SECTION 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to draw his warrant or warrants against the above Account Code in payment of the above authorized obligations upon presentation of the proper voucher or vouchers.
- SECTION 4. That this Ordinance, being an emergency measure, shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that the

ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason to ensure that the Toledo Fire and Rescue Department is able to provide citywide EMS first responder and transport service.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: January 8, 2019, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger Matt Cherry

Clerk of Council President of Council

Approved: January 8, 2019

Wade Kapszukiewicz

Mayor