

RESOLUTION NO. 08-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE MESQUITE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY OR INCIDENTAL TO ENABLE THE CITY OF MESQUITE TO PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAMS FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES FOR AMBULANCE AND OTHER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE MESQUITE FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Mesquite Fire Department (“MFD”) provides ambulance and other emergency medical services (“EMS Services”) and charges fees for providing such services (“EMS Fees”); and

WHEREAS, as used herein, governmental entities and governmental third party payors shall include Medicaid, Medicare, Railroad Medicare and all other current and future governmental entities that have programs that reimburse medical providers for medical services (collectively “Governmental Reimbursement Programs”); and

WHEREAS, as used herein, non-governmental entities and non-governmental third party payors shall include private insurance companies, Tricare and other insurance companies providing coverage for veterans and/or military personnel and all other current and future non-governmental entities that have programs that reimburse medical providers for medical services (collectively “Private Reimbursement Programs”); and

WHEREAS, it is customary for the City of Mesquite, Texas (“City”), to collect EMS Fees through both Governmental Reimbursement Programs and Private Reimbursement Programs; and

WHEREAS, to be eligible to participate in both Governmental Reimbursement Programs and Private Reimbursement Programs, it is necessary for the City to take certain actions and execute certain documents.

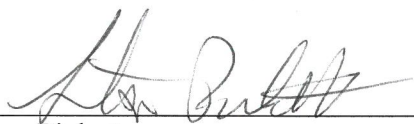
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby finds that its participation in both Governmental Reimbursement Programs and Private Reimbursement Programs will benefit the citizens of the City and will serve a public purpose.

SECTION 2. That the Fire Chief of the MFD is hereby authorized to take all actions and to execute all applications, enrollment forms, re-enrollment forms and all other documents now and hereafter necessary or incidental to establish all credentials and to take all other actions required to enable the City to participate in all Governmental Reimbursement Programs and all Private Reimbursement Programs including, without limitation, to take all actions and to execute all documents necessary or incidental to enroll in such programs and to file claims and collect payments for EMS Services.

SECTION 3. That without limiting the authority provided by Section 2 above, the Fire Chief of the MFD is authorized to execute Texas Medicaid and Medicare enrollment and re-enrollment forms, provider agreements, payor agreements, business associate agreements, Department of Labor approval letters, electronic data interchange agreements, electronic remittance agreements, electronic funds transfer agreements, agreements providing for the electronic filing of claims and electronic receipt of reimbursements, agreements with third party billing companies authorizing the third party billing companies to bill and collect payments for EMS Services on the City's behalf and agreements with financial institutions directing payments for EMS Services to be deposited into a City lock box or other type of remittance as may hereafter be authorized by the City Council.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 1st day of February, 2016.



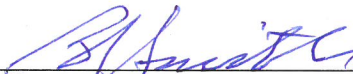
Stan Pickett  
Mayor

ATTEST:



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City Secretary

APPROVED:



B. J. Smith  
City Attorney