

Colorado Springs Fire Department: Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Enterprise

City Council Meeting June 11, 2024





Outcomes & Benefits



Fire-based EMS Enterprise will:

- 1. Improve Response Times and Emergency Medical Services
- 2. Reduce Medical Costs for residents and medical system
- 3. Expand Community & Public Health Programs





Validation efforts



- The City has taken significant efforts to validate CSFD Financial models and projections:
 - Benchmarking cities across the country, state & region
 - Operational Review:
 - Independent 3rd party consultant in 2019 RFP
 - Rich Buchanan Independent 3rd Party Consultant (ops & financial)
 - Financial Review:
 - City Finance
 - Barry Baum Retired Business Executive
 - Mitch Holder Digitech (national billing company)
 - Foundations
 - City Auditor's Office



Key Milestones



Establish EMS enterprise:

Feb 15-26

CityCouncilMemberBriefings

Mar 1 – May 10

Stake holder Engagement & Fundraising

May 13

City Council Work Session

Jun 11

City Council First Reading

Jun 25

City
 Council
 Second
 Reading
 and Final
 Vote

Path to Integration:

Jul 2024

 Initia te State Ambulance Transport Licenses

Jul 2024

- Lease facility
- Lease vehicles & equipment

Dec 2024

- Operational standup
- New employee orientation

April 2025

CSFD
 EMS
 Transport
 Enterprise
 fully
 operational

May 2025+

Advis ory Committee monitors & advises



Enterprise Ordinance



- A. **Operate a ground ambulance service**, including providing ground ambulance transportation services throughout the City of Colorado Springs and the Pikes Peak region;
- B. **Providing medical care** consistent with its license to operate a ground ambulance service, including the services of EMS Providers;
- C. Coordinate ground ambulance services with public and private partner agencies, and health care providers throughout Colorado and the Pikes Peak region;
- D. **Administer a schedule of fees** for the recovery of costs associated with the development and operation of a ground ambulance service;
- E. Collect fees and coordinate with customers and insurance providers in connection with its operation of a ground ambulance service;
- F. Through the fees collected by the enterprise, operate a ground ambulance service and community and public health program benefiting the public's health, safety, and welfare; and
- G. **Coordinate community and public health program** activities with other public and private entities throughout Colorado and the Pikes Peak region.

Questions & Discussion











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Your Questions

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