


REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

Subject: Amend Ordinance 2013-1001, which passed November 3, 2013, to increase maximum contract amount with Baylor College of Medicine.	Category # 4	Page 1 of 2	Agenda Item
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From: (Department or other point of origin): Rodney West Interim Fire Chief Fire Department	Origination Date	Agenda Date
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DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE 	Council District(s) Affected: All
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For additional information contact: Bryan Sky-Eagle Phone: 832-394-6762	Date and Identification of prior authorizing Council Action: Ordinance 2013-1001 on November 3, 2013
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RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)
Amend Ordinance 2013-1001, which passed November 3, 2013, to increase spending authority from \$6,399,000 to \$9,787,000 for professional staffing services for Houston Fire Department (HFD) Base Station.

Amount and Source of Funding: \$3,388,000 General Fund (Fund 1000)	Finance Budget
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SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Fire Chief requests City Council amend the above-referenced ordinance to increase the spending authority of the contract with **Baylor College of Medicine** from **\$6,399,000 to \$9,787,000** to provide professional staffing services for the HFD Base Station, also known as Telemetry.

This agreement began November 13, 2013 with a three year term in the amount not to exceed \$6,399,000, with option to renew for two (2) successive one-year terms.

HFD transports an average of 400-500 patients on any given day to area hospitals emergency rooms. Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) provides professional staffing services for the HFD Base Station located at the Houston Emergency Center. The personnel are responsible for communications between hospitals and Emergency Management System transport units for appropriate hospital destinations for proper care. Base Station personnel communicate with physicians, on scene emergency personnel regarding treatment and transport destination, as well as notifying the receiving hospital for preparations of arrival.

HFD desires to continue this level of care and has budgeted \$2.1 million for estimated FY17 expenditure. Therefore, the increase spending authority not to exceed **\$3,388,000** is needed to meet the department's operational needs through contract term.

Estimated Spending Authority:

Current Target Value	FY17	FY18	Total
\$6,399,000	\$1,225,000	\$2,163,000	\$9,787,000

Fiscal Note:

Funding for this item is included in the FY17 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in Financial Policy Ord. 2014-1078.

Hire Houston First

This contract meets the requirement of the City's Hire Houston First ordinance. BCM is a Medical School located in the Texas Medical Center.

MWBE

OBO has waived the MWBE participation goal for this contract due to public or administrative emergency, specialized, technical or unique nature of business.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department:

Other Authorization:

Other Authorization: