

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 30, EMERGENCY SERVICES, BY ADDING ARTICLE III, EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID FEES; ADDING SECTION 30-40, DEFINITIONS; ADDING SECTION 30-41, EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID FEES; ADDING SECTION 30-42, WHEN DUE; HOW PAID; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2020, the City of Venice will assume control of emergency medical services within the City from Sarasota County; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the public that fees be established so that the users of the services pay the cost thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The whereas clauses above are ratified and confirmed as true and correct.

SECTION 2. Chapter 30, Emergency Services, is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE III. EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID FEES

Sec. 30-40. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Advanced Life Support 1 or ALS 1 means the treatment of medical emergencies through the use of advanced life support techniques, as defined in F.S. § 401.23, as it may be amended from time-to-time, and including: a medically necessary ALS assessment, a medically necessary ALS intervention(s), and/or administration of no more than two medications (not including crystalloid, hypo tonic, hyper tonic, and isotonic solutions, oxygen and aspirin), and/or the provision of at least one of the following: manual defibrillations/cardio version, endotracheal intubation, central venous line, cardiac pacing, chest decompression, surgical airway, or intraosseous line.

Advanced Life Support 2 or ALS 2 means the treatment of medical emergencies through the use of advanced life support techniques, as defined in F.S. § 401.23, as it may be amended from time-to-time, and including: a medically necessary ALS assessment and/or a medically necessary ALS intervention(s), administration of more than two medications (not including crystalloid, hypo tonic, hyper tonic and isotonic solutions, oxygen and aspirin), and/or the provision of at least one of the following: manual defibrillation/cardio version, endotracheal

intubation, central venous line, cardiac pacing, chest decompression, surgical airway, or intraosseous line.

Basic life support or BLS means the treatment of medical emergencies through the use of basic life support techniques, as defined in F.S. § 401.23, as it may be amended from time-to-time.

Medical treatment without transport means emergency aid and resuscitation of a sick or injured person at the scene of an accident or medical emergency without transportation or removal to a hospital.

Sec. 30-41. Emergency medical aid fees.

Emergency medical aid fees for ALS1, ALS2, BLS, and medical treatment without transport, as well as any other category of ambulance user fee, shall be established and amended by resolution of the city. Treatment shall be rendered regardless of the patient's ability to pay.

Sec. 30-42. When due; how paid.

All fees for transport services shall be due and payable on the date service is provided and shall be paid in accordance with city's billing procedures.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. If any part, section, subsection or other portion of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such part, section, subsection or other portion, or the prescribed application thereof, shall be severable and the remaining provisions of this ordinance, and all applications thereof not having been declared void, unconstitutional or invalid, shall remain in full force and effect. The city council specifically declares that no invalid or prescribed provision or application was an inducement to the enactment of this ordinance and that it would have enacted this ordinance regardless of the invalid or prescribed provision or application.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and adoption as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, THIS 23RD DAY OF JUNE, 2020.

First Reading: June 9, 2020

Final Reading: June 23, 2020

ADOPTION: June 23, 2020

Ron Feinsod, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

I, LORI STELZER, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Venice, Florida, a municipal corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and complete, true and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Venice City Council, at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 23rd day of June, 2020, a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City this 23rd day of June, 2020.

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney