PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to increasing fees for the Emergency Ambulance Service Program Advanced Life Support (ALS), Basic Life Support (BLS), and mileage rates.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to amend the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.210.2 Schedule of Charges for Emergency Service table to increase the following fees: ALS from \$1,373 to \$1,452, BLS from \$974 to \$1,030, and the mileage rate from \$15.75 to \$19 per one-way mile.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) reports increasing the ALS and BLS rates and the one-way mileage rate will generate an additional \$230,000 in revenue for the remaining quarter of Fiscal Year 2014-15, or \$1.7 million additional annual revenue.

Community Impact Statement: No

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated November 24, 2014, LAFD recommends that Council request the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to increase the Department's ALS, BLS, and Emergency Ambulance Service mileage rate. LAFD reports the annual cost of the Emergency Ambulance Service Program amounts to \$237 million based on the Fiscal Year 2014-15 average salaries for field platoon duty personnel and the approved Cost Allocation Plan 35 rates. In order to cover the cost of the Emergency Medical Service Program, the ALS and BLS fees must be increased to \$1,452 and \$1,030, respectively. This calculation was based on an average of 174,376 billable transports.

At its meeting held January 23, 2015, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve LAFD's request.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER

ENGLANDER: YES

BUSCAINO:

YES

BONIN:

ABSENT

O'FARRELL:

YES

MARTINEZ:

ABSENT

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