

RESOLUTION NO. 24-136

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A REVISED AMBULANCE TRANSPORT FEE RATE AND ADOPTION SCHEDULE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 16-31, AS IT RELATES TO AMBULANCE TRANSPORT FEES

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adjust the City's emergency ambulance service fees for full cost recovery as authorized by Charter 8 of the Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the maximum allowable emergency ground ambulance rates are established by the Orange County Health Care Agency and are related to and do not exceed the cost of providing ambulance transport services; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2016, City Council adopted resolution No. 16-31 providing for the adoption of Orange County Health Care Agency Maximum Emergency Ground Ambulance Rates effective January 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Health Care Agency has received approval from the Orange County Board of Supervisors to adjust emergency ambulance service rates effective July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Health Care Agency's schedule for updating emergency ambulance service rates is typically July 1 of every year; and

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2024, the City held a duly noticed public hearing regarding the proposed ambulance rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Clemente does hereby find, determine and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That the above recitations are true and correct and incorporated fully herein.

SECTION 2. That Resolution 16-31 and any other resolution in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and of no further force or effect.

SECTION 3. That all the fees set forth in the fee schedule as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein fully by this reference are less than or equal to the estimated cost of providing the service for which the fee or service charge is levied and are hereby approved and established.

SECTION 4. That the ambulance transport fees set forth in Exhibit "A" shall be adopted automatically by the City of San Clemente July 1 of each year or other effective date established and adopted by the Orange County Health Care Agency and approved by the Orange County Board of Supervisors in the amounts so approved and adopted except that a \$200.00 discount per transport will be applied to San Clemente residents for Basic

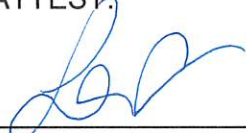
Life Support and Advance Life Support transportation fees.

SECTION 5. That all established charge types will be incorporated and adopted automatically by the City of San Clemente July 1 of each year or other effective date established and adopted by the Orange County Health Care Agency and approved by the Orange County Board of Supervisors in the amounts so approved and adopted.

SECTION 6. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2024.

ATTEST:



City Clerk of the City of
San Clemente, California



Mayor of the City of San
Clemente, California

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) §
CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE)

I, LAURA CAMPAGNOLO, City Clerk of the City of San Clemente, California, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 24-136 was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente held on the 3rd day of September 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: DUNCAN, ENMEIER, KNOBLOCK, LOEFFLER, MAYOR CABRAL

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Clemente, California, this 3rd day of September, 2024.



CITY CLERK of the City of
San Clemente, California

Approved as to form:



Elizabeth A. Mitchell, City Attorney



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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

May 7, 2024

TO: Orange County Fire Chiefs
Orange County City Managers
Orange County Ambulance Service Providers

FROM: Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN, EMS Director
Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN

SUBJECT: REVISION TO MAXIMUM EMERGENCY GROUND AMBULANCE RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

On December 20, 2022, the Orange County Board of Supervisors adopted Board Resolution 22-163, changing the methodologies for adjusting the maximum Basic Life Support (BLS) and maximum Advanced Life Support (ALS) ground emergency ambulance rates by using the percentage change in the transportation portion of the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers, Western Region as compiled and reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12-month period ending with the last day of the prior month, February.

In addition, the Health Care Agency Director or his/her designee is authorized to make an annual adjustment to the above maximum rates, effective July 1 of each year, by multiplying the rates by the percentage change in the aforementioned index and timeframe. As such, effective July 1, 2024, the Maximum BLS Emergency Ground Ambulance Rates are adopted as follows:

Type of Charge	Basis for Charge	Effective 7/1/2023	Effective 7/1/2024
Emergency Basic Life Support (BLS) Base Rate ^{1,2}	Applicable for urgent or Code 3 response at the request of a public safety employee	\$2,052.14	\$2,238.88
Emergency Advanced Life support (ALS) Base Rate ^{1,2}	Applicable for urgent or Code 3 response at the request of a public safety employee	\$2,525.45	\$2,712.19
Mileage	Per patient mile or fraction thereof.	\$ 21.34	\$ 23.28
Standby time	Per 30 minutes after the first 30 minutes.	\$ 144.48	\$ 157.63

¹ BLS & ALS Base Rates apply in Orange county Fire Authority Jurisdictional areas (except for Buena Park, San Clemente and Westminster)

² Oxygen & medical supplies included in base rates

If you have any questions, please contact Eileen Endo at (714) 834-3507.

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