



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

5:00 PM

Council Chambers
200 West Walker Street

Council Work Session

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a work session in Council Chambers at 200 West Walker Street on the above date at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor:

Nick Long

City Council Members:

**Andy Mann
Tommy Cones
Tom Crews
Vacant
Justin Hicks
Chad Tressler
Sean Saunders**

City Manager:

John Baumgartner

Assistant City Manager

Rick Davis

Assistant City Manger-CFO

Angie Steelman

City Attorney:

Nghiem Doan

City Secretary:

Diana M. Stapp

Chief of Police:

Cliff Woitena

Executive Director of Capital Projects

Ron Bavarian

Director of Engineering:

Christopher Sims

Director of Finance:

Kimberly Corell

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

James Brumm

Director of Parks & Cultural Services:

Chien Wei

Director of Public Works:

Jody Hooks

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Long called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present except Mr. Hicks. Mr. Mann arrived at 5:23 p.m.

Absent 1 - Mr. Justin Hicks

Present 6 - Mayor Nick Long, Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Tommy Cones, Mr. Tom Crews, Mr. Chad Tressler and Mr. Sean Saunders

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**3. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING EMS FEES**

SB 2476: Changes in future ground ambulance services reimbursement.

Effective 01/01/2024 - Amends current medical costs, Surprise Billing law to include ground ambulance services. Expires 9/1/2025.

Eliminates balance billing of Out-of-Network providers, making insurance providers responsible for reimbursement. Only applies to insurance regulated by TDI (approximately 20% of all insurance available).

What does this mean for LCFD?

Register and submit rates to TDI for publication. Future rate increases are limited to a max of 10% from prior year.

Purpose:

- **Review Current EMS Billing Rates (Sec. 38-101)**
- **Compare Rates with Regional and State Providers**
- **Consider Increasing EMS Billing Rates**

Current EMS Billing Rates:

Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$800.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 1)	\$900.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 2)	\$1,100.00
Mileage	\$21.00
Treatment No Transport	\$150.00

***EMS also bills for medications and specialized procedures.**

Median EMS Billing Rates:

Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$1,048.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 1)	\$1,415.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 2)	\$1,675.00
Mileage	\$20.50
Treatment No Transport	\$150.00

Proposed EMS Billing Rates:

Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$1,700.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 1)	\$1,800.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS 2)	\$2,000.00
Mileage	\$21.00
Treatment No Transport	\$375.00

Payor Mix: Medicare 55%, Medicaid 5%, Private Insurance 15%, Auto Insurance 0%, Private Pay/Uninsured 24%

Revenue Projections – FY24 Increase \$495,660.00 (Wittman’s Revenue Projections using proposed rates.

LCFD is seeking council input regarding potential EMS Billing Rates increase. Recommendation = set rates for our cost for service.

4. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:32 p.m. Mayor Long said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

NICK LONG
MAYOR

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: