

Morita; Can a SAD, service fee or some other means of revenue be established for the "Senior housing" calls for service.

After consultation with the City legal representative, he advised there is no legal authority to charge an additional assessment fee.

Morita: Can contract EMS be used for the Senior Housing calls to free up our personnel for other calls.

Under Oakland County Medical Control Authority system protocol "*Agency and EMS Personnel Criteria for Participation*" , subtitled "*EMS Response*", it states "When responding to a non-emergency facility (e.g. nursing home, urgent care, physicians office, private residence, etc) to a patient with a potentially life threatening condition, EMS personnel/Life support agency must activate, upon identification of a potentially life threatening condition, the primary life support agency for that geographic service area to the incident."

Under our letter of agreement with the Oakland County Medical Control Authority we are the Primary life support agency for the geographic area of the City of Rochester Hills.

It only states that this is required for potentially life threatening conditions. If a private provider is contacted for a non- life threatening situation they may take the transport. If their dispatch center utilizing emergency Medical Dispatch determines a potential life threat they must contact RHFD of the incident so we can respond to our primary geographic area, however valuable minutes would have already been lost.

Morita: Contract EMS to do our transfers, what does that do to our response times, revenue, cost?

In 2013 the Rochester Hills Fire Department completed 507 transfers and generated \$136,014.32. Currently the Rochester Hills Fire Department employs two (2) EMT Basic positions, with the main responsibility of performing transfers. The funding generated from transfers covers the cost of these two positions. The remaining funds after personnel costs, covers cost for supplies, fuel and vehicle maintenance. During times when this unit is not performing transfers, they are utilized to respond to 911 incidents. For the most part transfers do not effect our ALS coverage or response times for the city. In 2013 RHFD performed 74 ALS transfers. It is our internal policy to turn-down transfers when only one (1) unit is left available in the City. I am currently evaluating the entire transfer operation to identify any areas of deficiencies.

Morita: Can we contract with a private EMS for supplemental coverage in addition to the Headlee Amendment proposal. What will that cost us? How does that compare to the Charter Amendment of 3.0 mills cost in providing service?

This question can only be answered by the City doing a Request for Proposal (RFP) and comparing the differences. However while this looks at the area of supplemental EMS coverage, it does not take into account adequate fire coverage. By employing cross trained individuals the city is cross-staffing units that provides two services for the price of one. If the city decided to contract for EMS service, the current staffing model does not allow for a safe, efficient and effective fire coverage.

Wiggins/Kochenderfer: Need some specifics on what improvements to response times will be achieved by adding 9 employees, adding something between 9-15 employees, and adding 15 employees.

See Attached