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Date: August 22, 2022

Brady City Council Members
201 E. Main Street
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Re: Emergency Medical Services Reimbursement

First and foremost, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court would like to thank each of the City Council Members, Mayor Tony Groves, and City Manager Erin Corbell for your hard work and dedication to everyone not only in Brady, but also McCulloch County. Without professionals like yourselves stepping up and taking on additional challenges that face our community, we truly cannot imagine where we would be.

Last year, Ms. Corbell did not have time to prepare the numbers or statistics to make an exact determination of EMS reimbursement to the City so, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court added \$14,671.41 to the previous year's reimbursement amount totaling \$157,300.00. This amount was just over a ten percent increase in reimbursement.

This year Ms. Corbell was successful in compiling the number of EMS runs, billing, EMS expenses and revenues. In being repetitive of Ms. Corbell's numbers, I would like each of you to consider the below calculations for EMS reimbursement as set forth below:

EMS calls outside of the City of Brady: 194 calls (which is 16.05% of the total calls)

Total EMS Expenses for the year 2021: \$1,666,082.00

EMS Revenues from County calls (not including the County's reimbursement because that is the number that we are calculating) for the year 2021: \$64,648.55

(1) 16.05% of the total EMS expenses (\$1,666,082.00 x 16.05%): \$267,406.16

(2) Payments received from insurance companies and private pay: \$64,648.55
(this number was provided by Ms. Corbell, I will attach a copy of her document)

(3) 16.05% of RAC Grant Program (\$26,894.00 x 16.05%): \$4,316.49

\$267,406.16

- \$64,648.55

- \$4,316.49

\$198,441.12 Calculated County Reimbursement

Possible Revenues from County Calls as Negotiations Have Progressed:

\$64,648.55 **Payments** received from insurance carriers and private pay
+ \$165,000.00 **First proposed** reimbursement from McCulloch County
\$229,648.55 **Total Revenues (I did not include the \$4,316.49 in RAC Grant Funding)**

\$64,648.55 **Payments** received from insurance carriers and private pay
+ \$190,000.00 **Second proposed** reimbursement from McCulloch County
\$254,648.55 **Total Revenues (I did not include the \$4,316.49 in RAC Grant Funding)**

\$64,648.55 **Payments** received from insurance carriers and private pay
+ \$198,441.12 **Third proposed** reimbursement from McCulloch County
\$263,089.67 **Total Revenues (I did not include the \$4,316.49 in RAC Grant Funding)**

Offset Costs Paid by McCulloch County to Consider

- (1) McCulloch County provides dispatch services for the EMS, Fire Departments, and Law Enforcement. (\$364,855.53 is the expense for the dispatchers' salaries)
- (2) McCulloch County provides edispatch for EMS and Fire calls. (\$3,276.00 is the annual cost)
- (3) McCulloch County provides TextMyGov for emergency notifications to all McCulloch County citizens. (\$3,750.00 is the cost for 2022 – there was a \$1,250.00 initial setup fee – next year the cost will be \$2,500.00)

The above offset costs total: \$371,855.53.

A few questions that I pose to each of you for consideration due to McCulloch County having a hospital district:

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

TITLE 4. HEALTH FACILITIES

SUBTITLE D. HOSPITAL DISTRICTS

CHAPTER 286. HOSPITAL DISTRICTS CREATED BY VOTER APPROVAL

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 286.072. LIMITATION ON GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY. On or after creation of the district, a county, municipality, or other governmental entity in which the district is located may not levy

taxes or issue bonds or other obligations for hospital purposes or for providing medical care for the residents of the district.

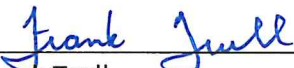
Added by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 14, Sec. 121, eff. Sept. 1, 1991.

(1) Are any of the County reimbursement funds being allocated toward McCulloch County indigent patient EMS calls?


(2) It is our understanding that the EMS expenses for the hospital is roughly \$1,100,000.00. \$1,100,000.00 plus the net expenses for the City EMS of \$1,332,681.00 totals \$2,432,681.00. The question that most people would ask "Is \$2.43 million dollars an average EMS expense for a county the size of McCulloch County or do we need to reevaluate our options for this service to our community".

In conclusion, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court is respectfully requesting each of the Council Members to thoroughly review this letter. Everyone's goal is to agree on a reimbursement amount that is parallel to both City and County interests alike. At this time, the Commissioners Court members have signed below and indicated the reimbursement amount that they feel is proper for the EMS services provided by the City of Brady. We value all of your time and consideration involved and look forward to your response as your schedules allow.


Sincerely,




Frank Trull
McCulloch County Judge
Amount: \$ 198,441.¹²




Carol Anderson
Commissioner Precinct 1
Amount: 198,441.¹²



Jason Behrens
Commissioner Precinct 3
Amount: \$ 198,441.¹²



Randy Deans
Commissioner Precinct 2
Amount: \$ 213,228.⁹⁶



Rick Kemp
Precinct 4
Amount: \$ 198,441.¹²