



CITY OF KING CITY COUNCIL

MEETING DATE:

August 3, 2026

PART A

Subject: Emergency medical services agreement with Wake Forest University Health Sciences for fire department medical program

Action Requested: Approve EMS Agreement, authorize Fire Chief to execute, and approve Conflict Waiver Resolution

Attachments:

1. Emergency Medical Services Agreement with WFUHS
2. Conflict Waiver Resolution for City Attorney

Steven A. Roberson

Steven Roberson, Fire Chief

This abstract requires review by:

City Manager

City Attorney

7/29/2026

PART B

Introduction and Background:

The fire department has operated an Advanced Life Support non-transport medical program beginning in 2023. This level of service requires medical oversight by a licensed physician in North Carolina. Since the inception of our program, King Fire Department and Stokes County EMS have always contracted with the same medical director. Our previous medical director, Dr. Darrel Nelson, retired on June 30, 2026. Dr. Chris Davis, a Stokes County resident and emergency department physician at Atrium Wake Forest Baptist Health, has been selected as the primary medical director for both Stokes County EMS and King Fire Department.

Discussion and Analysis:

With the retirement of Dr. Nelson, a new contract is required identifying Dr. Davis as our medical director. The Emergency Medical Services Agreement before you outlines the work Dr. Nelson will provide for the King Fire Department, along with the rate and built-in escalator. If approved, the agreement will be for a 3-year term with a 30-day notice of termination if either party desires to end the agreement.

The law firm of Bell, Davis, and Pitt, which represents the City of King, also represents Atrium Wake Forest Baptist Health Sciences. As a result, our attorney has requested that Council also approve a Conflict Resolution Waiver. This resolution acknowledges the conflict with Bell, Davis, and Pitt between the City of King and Atrium Wake Forest Baptist Health Sciences. In the future, if there were a dispute between the City of King and Atrium Wake Forest Baptist Health Sciences, Bell, Davis, and Pitt would not be involved on either side.

Budgetary Impact:

FY27 budget = \$3,600.00

FY28 budget = \$3,708.00

FY29 budget = \$3,819.24

Recommendation:

Recommended Motion: Move to approve the Emergency Medical Services Agreement with Wake Forest University Health Sciences for the King Fire Department medical program and authorize the Fire Chief to execute the agreement, and to approve the conflict waiver resolution for the City Attorney as presented.