

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Stuart Blasingame, Fire Chief

Through: Mario Canizares, Town Manager

Re: Emergifire Fire Services Billing Agreement

Town Council Meeting – June 10, 2025

Strategic Visioning Priority: 4. Provide Excellent Municipal Services

Agenda Item:

Consider and act upon a Professional Services Agreement between Emergifire, LLC., and the Town of Prosper to implement a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services provided by Prosper Fire Rescue.

Description of Agenda Item:

The Fire Department is seeking approval to enter into an agreement with Emergifire, LLC, a thirdparty billing service, to facilitate cost recovery for emergency response incidents such as structure fires, motor vehicle accidents, hazardous materials incidents, and similar events. Emergifire exclusively bills insurance providers, with no direct billing to residents or businesses. This service is offered under the same corporate umbrella as Emergicon, the Town's current EMS billing provider.

Implementing this solution aligns with regional practices, as many surrounding fire departments utilize similar third-party cost recovery models. The goal is to recover costs incurred during emergency responses while minimizing administrative burden on Town staff.

Budget Impact:

The exact amount of revenue to be collected is currently unknown; however, based on conservative estimates, the Fire Department anticipates generating at least \$30,000 annually through this cost recovery program. Revenue will be budgeted into account 13030010-42000 (Charges for Services).

Legal Obligations and Review:

Terrence Welch of Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., has approved the attached documents as to form and legality.

Attached Documents:

1. Emergifire Professional Services Agreement

Town Staff Recommendation:

Town Staff recommend the Town Council approve a Professional Services Agreement between Emergifire, LLC., and the Town of Prosper to implement a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services provided by Prosper Fire Rescue.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve an amendment to a Professional Services Agreement between Emergifire, LLC., and the Town of Prosper to implement a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services provided by Prosper Fire Rescue.