### CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

# REQUEST FOR LICENSING, HEARINGS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** Res. No. 95-25-26 by Alderpersons Rust and La Fave modifying the ambulance service billing rates for the City of Sheboygan Fire Department.

**REPORT PREPARED BY:** Eric Montellano, Fire Chief

**REPORT DATE:** September 15, 2025 **MEETING DATE:** September 22, 2025

FISCAL SUMMARY: STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Budget Line Item: 101.462300 Wisconsin Statutes: N/A Budget Summary: N/A Municipal Code: N/A

Budgeted Expenditure: N/A

Budgeted Revenue: \$2,573,212

#### **BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:**

The Sheboygan Fire Department has not adjusted ambulance rates since 2024. No increase was made in 2025. The proposed 2026 rate adjustment is designed to ensure financial sustainability, maintain competitiveness with comparable Wisconsin fire-based EMS providers, and continue delivering high-quality advanced life support (ALS), basic life support (BLS), and specialty transport services.

## **STAFF COMMENTS:**

- The Fire Chief is requesting the ambulance fee adjustment approval.
- The last increase in ambulance billing was 2024.
- Adjustments reflect increased costs of personnel, equipment, training, and operations.
- Resident vs. non-resident rate differentiation remains in place to reduce taxpayer burden.
- The Fire Chief will continue to review the ambulance fee structure with the City Administrator on an annual basis.
- Rates are benchmarked against comparable Wisconsin fire department EMS providers.

# **ACTION REQUESTED:**

A motion to recommend approval of Res. No. 95-25-26.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Res. No. 95-25-26
- II. 2026 Ambulance Fee Schedule
- III. Proposed 2026 Ambulance Rate Increase