RESOLUTION NO. 2025-14(R)

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYLIE, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE CITY OF WYLIE CHARITY CARE POLICY FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES FOR THE FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT TO DISCONTINUE COLLECTION OF AMBULANCE SERVICE FEES FOR ELIGIBLE PATIENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Wylie to provide ambulance services to our community without regard to a patient's and/or guarantor's ability to pay for these services; and

WHEREAS, there are individuals who are not on Medicare/Medicaid or commercial insurance, and who reasonably cannot pay because they are indigent or below poverty thresholds; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City of Wylie's Charity Care Policy for Ambulance Services be ratified with the effective date of July 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS, upon full review and consideration of the City of Wylie Charity Care Policy for Ambulance Services, the City Council is of the opinion that the policy should be ratified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYLIE, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** The City of Wylie Charity Care for Ambulance Services Policy, effective July 22, 2025, is hereby ratified in its entirety.
- **SECTION 2.** It is not the intent of this policy to provide charity care to patients who have the ability to pay or patients who have private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, or other third-party coverage.
- **SECTION 3.** For those patients who have the ability to pay and do not meet the eligibility guidelines for charity care, the City of Wylie expects to receive payment in accordance with its normal billing policy.
- **SECTION 4.** The City of Wylie will grant a full charity care reduction (100% write-off of ambulance service charges to charity care) to patients without the ability to pay, earning less than or equal to 400% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), as published annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- **SECTION 5.** The City of Wylie and/or its contractor(s) shall rely on financial data provided by the patient and may also utilize data from credit bureaus and other sources to determine if the patient is eligible for charity care.
- **SECTION 6.** Once it is determined that the patient is eligible for charity care, the City of Wylie or its contractor(s) shall make no further attempts to collect payment from the patient.
 - **SECTION 7.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.
- **DULY PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Wylie, Texas, on the 22nd day of July 2025.

ATTEST TO:	Matthew Porter, Mayor
Stephanie Storm, City Secretary	