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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
County Executive Office
REPORT BY: Lorenzo Zialcita, Principal Management Analyst , 253-4826
SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution related to Local Emergency (Emergency Medical Services Work Stoppage)

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services requests adoption of a resolution confirming and extending the Proclamation of Local Emergency declared by the County Executive Officer acting as the Director of Emergency Services on August 4, 2006 in response to a work shortage of employees of the County's ambulance and emergency medical service provider, Piner's Napa Ambulance Services, Inc. (4/5 vote required)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A work shortage of the employees of Piner's Napa Ambulance Services, Inc. has created conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons within Napa County in need of emergency medical care. The County Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services has thus proclaimed a Local Emergency. Adoption of the requested resolution will ratify the proclamation of the local emergency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	The General Fund Contingency.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Approving the declaration will ratify actions taken by the County for the interim and appropriate provision of ambulance services within the County.
Is the general fund affected?	Yes

Future fiscal impact: Future fiscal impact is unknown at this time.

Consequences if not approved: If the requested resolution is not adopted, the proclamation of a local emergency by the County Executive Office/Director of Emergency Services shall expire on August 11th, 2006 or an earlier date as may be specified by the Board.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Pursuant to authority in Government Code Section 8630 and Napa County Code Section 2.80.060(A)(2), on August 4, 2006 the County Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency due to a work shortage of employees of the County's ambulance and emergency medical service provider, Piner's Napa Ambulance Services, Inc. This shortage has created conditions of extreme peril to life of individuals in need of emergency medical care in Napa County.

The Board of Supervisors must review this action within seven days and either confirm and ratify the action or the declaration expires on the seventh day, or an earlier date if specified by the Board. The local emergency status must be reviewed at least every 14 days by the Board to determine the need for continuance and/or termination. This issue may, therefore, be on future Board agendas for the Board's consideration and/or action.

At this time, local resources are inadequate to cope with the declared emergency. Adoption of the requested resolution will confirm and continue the Proclamation of Local Emergency declared on August 4, 2006 by the County Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services. It will also ratify the establishment of an interim policy for the provision of ambulance services in the County and a process for emergency accreditation of paramedics by the Napa County Emergency Medical Services pursuant to the County Executive Officer's orders under the proclamation of the local emergency.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Resolution
- B . Proclamation

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Maiko Klieman