

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: August 7, 2023

SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Services - Ambulance

PRESENTER: Jimmy Brissie, Emergency Management Director

ATTACHMENTS: No

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is requesting that the Board approve the retention of one (1) ambulance originally scheduled to be surplus in FY24, to be utilized by the department as a fleet backup.

The request is primarily due to the current long lead times on vehicles. For example, for FY23 two (2) new ambulances were approved. They were ordered in spring of 2022 and the estimated delivery date is December of 2023 (over 18 months). Three (3) FY24 ambulances were ordered in spring of 2023, with no estimated delivery date yet available from the manufacturer.

EMS intends to store the ambulance at a substation, and run it periodically to keep it in operating order. It will be available in the event that there is a truck out of service for an extended period of time, and will provide additional contingency during a time when vehicle availability is non-existent.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

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Suggested Motion:

I move the Board of Commissioners approve the retention of one (1) ambulance originally scheduled to be surplus in FY24, to be utilized by the department as a fleet backup.