

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO. C-1173

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. CANULETTE

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL OFFICE

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AN AMBULANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARISH AND ACADIAN AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. FOR EXCLUSIVE EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES WITHIN THE PARISH, SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN AND THE QUALITY ASSURANCE PANEL.

WHEREAS, since 1997, the Parish maintained an Ambulance Service Agreement ("Agreement") with Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. ("Acadian"), which Agreement provided for the appointment of Acadian as the sole, exclusive provider of emergency and non-emergency medical transportation services within certain portions of St. Tammany Parish, all as set forth in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the primary term of the Agreement covered the period from January 1, 1997 until December 31, 2000, with provisions for extensions by mutual consent of the parties, and subject to the Quality Assurance Panel (QAP) determination that Acadian met all requirements of the Parish and earned the right to negotiate each extension; and

WHEREAS, based upon recommendation of the QAP, the Agreement was extended for the two (2) additional terms of two (2) years each, i.e., January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2002 and January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the sole provider Agreement shall expire in its entirety at midnight December 31, 2004. The QAP has determined that Acadian has met or exceeded all requirements of the initial agreement with the Parish and has earned the opportunity to negotiate a new Agreement; and

WHEREAS, by resolution dated July 26, 2004, the Quality Assurance Panel indicated its satisfaction with the quality and performance of Acadian as the sole provider of emergency and non-emergency medical transportation services and performed its services in a competent and professional manner. A copy of said Resolution is attached as evidence of the QAP recommendation and support for a new Agreement with Acadian; and

WHEREAS, the Parish has determined it to be in the best interest of the general health and welfare of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish to retain Acadian as the sole, exclusive provider of medical transportation services within the territory defined in the Agreement.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the Parish Council approves and authorizes the Parish President to negotiate a new Ambulance Service Agreement between the Parish and Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. for exclusive emergency and non-emergency ambulance services within the Parish. The terms and conditions of said Agreement shall be subject to concurrence of the Council Chairman and the Quality Assurance Panel.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2004 AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

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PATRICIA BRISTER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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DIANE HUESCHEN, COUNCIL CLERK