

## STATE OF TEXAS

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEGUIN, TEXAS AMENDING THE SEGUIN CODE OF ORDINANCES APPENDIX C FEE SCHEDULE, CHAPTER 42, EMERGENCY SERVICES, TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF BILLING FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO SUBMIT THIS ORDINANCE AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE SEGUIN CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**WHEREAS**, with changes in insurance billing practices and Medicare rules, detailed itemized billing for emergency medical services is fast becoming obsolete; and

**WHEREAS**, Change Healthcare, the City's new EMS billing company, recommends discontinuing the itemization of supplies in favor of bundled base rates; and

**WHEREAS**, staff proposes a three tier system, with each tier having a separate fee structure for Guadalupe County residents and those who reside outside of Guadalupe County.

**NOW THEREFOR BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Seguin, Texas:

**SECTION ONE.** The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Appendix C – Fee Schedule, Chapter 42, Emergency Services, Article I, Emergency Medical Services is repealed.

**SECTION TWO.** The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Appendix C – Fee Schedule, Chapter 42, Emergency Services, is amended by the addition of a new Article I, Emergency Medical Services, to read as follows

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| <i>Article I. Emergency Medical Services</i> |  |   |          |
|  |  | Basic Life Support, Residents of Seguin and contracted service area     | 850.00   |
|  |  | Basic Life Support – all other persons .....                            | 1,000.00 |
|  |  | Advance life support 1, Residents of Seguin and contracted service area | 1,050.00 |
|  |  | Advance Life Support 1, all other persons                               | 1,200.00 |

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|  |  | Advance Life Support 2, Residents of Seguin and contracted service area | 1,300.00 |
|  |  | Advance Life Support 2, all other persons                               | 1,500.00 |
|  |  | A per loaded mileage charge applies to all the above categories         | 15.00    |
|  |  | Emergency aid/air transport .....                                       | 600.00   |

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall become effective ten days after the publication of this ordinance.

**Section 4.** If any clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be unenforceable for any reason, such unenforceable clause or provision shall be severed from the remaining portions of the Ordinance, which shall continue to have full force and effect.

**Section 5.** City Staff is hereby authorized to submit this Ordinance as a supplement to the Seguin Code of Ordinances.

**PASSED UPON FIRST READING** on January 17, 2018.

**PASSED UPON SECOND READING** on February 6, 2018.

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DON KEIL, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Naomi Manski, City Secretary

