



### Administration

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Submitted By: Steve Howard, Fire Chief	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BR

## Subject:

The Fire Department is seeking approval from the Finance Committee and Common Council to review and adopt a fee increase for Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

#### Details:

The City of Waukesha Fire Department is recommending that the Finance Committee and Common Council adopt a fee increase for emergency medical services. The department has worked closely with representative of Andres Medical Billing (AMB) to conduct a rate analysis as part of our 2018 budget preparation, and as a result, we are requesting a \$100 increase for Advanced Life Support (ALS) services and a \$200 increase for Basic Life Support (BLS) services. These fee increases are consistent with "Usual and Customary" payments from private insurance and would generate an additional \$73,345 from private insurance.

## **Options & Alternatives:**

An alternative to this request would be to not increase the EMS fees, and not capture the additional \$73,345 in revenue.

### **Financial Remarks:**

Overall fee increase is included in the 2018 Executive Budget in accounts 2213.45240 and 2213.45241.

# **Executive Recommendation:**

The City Administrator is supportive of this fee increase.

