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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 18, 2006

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ALEXANDRIA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL

**ISSUE:** Request from the Alexandria Emergency Medical Services Council (EMS Council) to delete two positions from its membership (Attachment 1).

**RECOMMENDATION:** That City Council approve the request from the EMS Council and ask the City Attorney to draft an ordinance that modifies the membership of the Emergency Services Council to delete the designated positions for the representative of the Alexandria Condominium Association and the representative of the providers of private ambulance services in the City.

**DISCUSSION:** The Alexandria Emergency Services Council has 18 members, four of which are ex-officio (see roster - Attachment 2). Two positions (one representative of the Alexandria Condominium Association and one representative of the providers of private ambulance services in the City) have been vacant for an extended period of time. The Condominium Association has been inactive since 2002. There have been no applicants for a representative from the private ambulance services in the past 13 months. Because of these vacancies, the EMS Council has had difficulties obtaining a quorum at some of the meetings. At its October 17, 2005, meeting, the EMS Council voted to request that the City Council amend its membership to eliminate these two designated seats. In addition, Pamela Copley, Chair of the EMS Council, notes in her May 17 memorandum to Council that the need for these positions has been overcome by events. Therefore, I support this request, which will reduce the membership of the EMS Council from 18 to 16 members.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment 1. May 17, 2006 Letter from Pamela Copley to the City Council
- Attachment 2. Roster of EMS Council

**STAFF:** Rose Williams Boyd, Executive Secretary for Boards and Commissions

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

*City of Alexandria, Virginia*



FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES  
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May 17, 2006

To: His Honor, Mayor Euille,  
and Members of the Alexandria City Council

From: Pamela Copley, Chair,  
Alexandria Emergency Medical Services Council

Two representative seats on the Alexandria Emergency Medical Services Council are no longer required by the Council; indeed, the positions virtually have been overtaken by events.

The Alexandria Condominium Association, one of the two positions, is basically a defunct organization, and the other, the Provider of Private Ambulance Services in the City, has been eclipsed by the fact that our city now has almost all of its emergency carriage provided by our own EMS ambulances.

These non-filled seats make the EMS Council meetings appear as though we have a low member turn-out, when, in fact, turn-out at our meetings is improving. In the past, at times, we have not had the necessary numbers to ensure a quorum.

During our October 17, 2005, EMS Council meeting, ten out of ten voting members in attendance unanimously voted to eliminate these two out-of-date seats.

We respectfully request that the composition of the Alexandria Emergency Medical Services Council be amended to 16 members, four being *ex-officio*.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

The Emergency Medical Services Council will advise City Council with respect to the provision of training to emergency rescue technicians, the acquisition of therapeutic and record-keeping equipment, the provision of a medical communications network, applications to various grant sources, disaster planning, and such other matters as the City Council may refer to the Council.

The Council meets quarterly at the call of the Chair.

**Members: 18**

**2 YEAR TERM**

14 Members appointed by City Council:

- 1 Emergency Room Physician from Alexandria Hospital
- 1 Rep. of the Alex. Med. Soc. who has privileges at Alex. Hosp.
- 1 Representative of the Emergency Nurses Assn. from Alex. Hosp.
- 1 Representative of the hospital administration at Alex. Hosp.
- 1 Representative of the Federation of Civic Associations
- 1 Representative of the Alexandria Condominium Association
- 1 Representative of the Alexandria Red Cross
- 4 Citizens
- 1 Rep. of the providers of private ambulance services in the City
- 1 Representative of nursing homes located in the City
- Alexandria's Operational Medical Director

4 Ex Officio Members:

The City Manager or designee; the Fire Chief; the Director of the Fire Dept. Emergency Medical Services Division; and one Emergency Rescue Technician selected from among the City's Emergency Rescue Technicians by his peers through a voting process established by the Fire Chief

**City Staff:** VINCE WHITMORE, FIRE DEPT., 838-6413

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Attachment 2

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Original Appointment</u>	<u>Current Appointment</u>	<u>Oath</u>	<u>Expiration of Current Appointment</u>
PAMELA ALESKY 307 YOAKUM PARKWAY, #1510 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304 ALEXANDRIA CHAPTER AMERICAN RED CROSS REP.	Res: (703) 751-3173 Bus: (202) 303-6057 Fax: (202) 303-8672 eMail aleskyp@usa.redcross.org	MANAGER, PROGRAM GUIDANCE AMERICAN RED CROSS	4/24/2005	4/24/2005		9/28/2006
DEIDRE BRINK 1115 JANNEY STREET LEESBURG, VA 20175 PARAMEDIC REPRESENTATIVE	Res: (703) 737-0280 Bus: (703) 838-4655 Fax: eMail madpup52@aol.com	PARAMEDIC ALEXANDRIA FIRE DEPARTMENT  Term concurrent with office	4/12/2005	4/12/2005		
MARTIN BROWN 10901 CRIPPLEGATE ROAD POTOMAC, MD 20854 ALEXANDRIA MEDICAL SOCIETY INOVA ALEXANDRIA HOSPITAL	Res: (301) 983-8395 Bus: (703) 504-3329 Fax: (703) 504-7965 eMail martin.brown@inova.com	CHAIRMAN, DEPT. OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE INOVA ALEXANDRIA	3/13/2001	3/8/2005		3/8/2007
THOMAS CLARK 3570 TUPELO PLACE ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304 EMERGENCY ROOM PHYSICIAN INOVA ALEXANDRIA HOSPITAL	Res: (703) 751-3269 Bus: (703) 504-3065 Fax: eMail wsec360@aol.com	PHYSICIAN INOVA ALEXANDRIA HOSPITAL	3/11/2003	3/8/2005		3/8/2007

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<p>MICHELE EVANS 301 CITY HALL ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314 CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE</p>	<p>Res: Bus: (703) 838-4300 Fax: eMail</p>	<p>ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER</p>	<p>6/27/1995</p>	<p>6/27/1995</p>		
<p>TERM CONCURRENT W/ OFFICE</p>						
<p>FRANCIS HOANG 1608A HUNTING CREEK DRIVE ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314 CITIZEN</p>	<p>Res: (202) 907-7647 Bus: (202) 434-5820 Fax: eMail hoangf@hotmail.com</p>	<p>ASSOCIATE WILLIAMS &amp; CONNOLLY</p>	<p>1/11/2005</p>	<p>1/11/2005</p>	<p>2/11/2005</p>	<p>4/13/2006</p>
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<p>ROBERT RAPANUT 6300 STEVENSON AVENUE, #109 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304 CITIZEN</p>	<p>Res: (703) 370-9341 Bus: (202) 284-5131 Fax: eMail robierap@aol.com</p>	<p>IMAGERY INTELLIGENCE ANALYST</p>	<p>2/24/2004</p>	<p>2/8/2005</p>	<p>2/8/2007</p>	
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