

AN ORDINANCE 2015-10-29-0930

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A LETTER OF APPROVAL FOR ALIANZA AMBULANCE, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH ITS APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES FOR A LICENSE TO OPERATE AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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WHEREAS, Alianza Ambulance, Inc. is an emergency medical services provider located in Eagle Pass, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Alianza Ambulance, Inc. proposes to provide non-emergency, basic life support transport to patients wishing to travel to and from the Eagle Pass area to and from San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, Section 773.041 of the Texas Health and Safety Code provides that an emergency medical services provider must be licensed by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS); and

WHEREAS, Section 773.0573 of that Code provides that, in order to obtain such a license, an applicant must obtain a letter of approval from the governing body of each municipality and from the commissioners court of each county in which the applicant is applying to provide emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, Section 773.0573 also provides that the governing body of the municipality may issue said letter of approval to an emergency medical services provider applicant only if the governing body determines that (1) the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider will not interfere with or adversely affect the provision of emergency medical services by the licensed emergency medical services providers operating in the municipality; (2) the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider will remedy an existing provider shortage that cannot be resolved through the use of the licensed emergency medical services providers operating in the municipality or county; and (3) the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider will not cause an oversupply of licensed emergency medical services providers in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the DSHS has advised the City that determinations that items 1 and 3 are accurate representations are sufficient for the issuance of the letter of approval; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of San Antonio determines that (1) the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider, namely, Alianza Ambulance, Inc., to operate a non-emergency, basic life support transport to patients wishing to travel to and from the Eagle Pass area to and from San Antonio will not interfere with or adversely affect the provision of emergency medical services by the licensed emergency medical services providers operating in the City of San Antonio and (2) the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider, namely, Alianza Ambulance, Inc., will not cause an oversupply of licensed emergency medical services providers in the City of San Antonio

SECTION 2. The City Manager and her designee are hereby directed and authorized to issue a letter of approval to the Department of State Health Services on behalf of the City Council of the City of San Antonio, advising that department of the determinations made in Section 1 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of October, 2015.

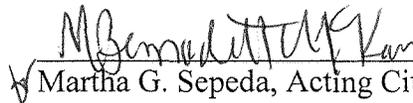


M A Y O R
Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney

Agenda Item:	23 (in consent vote: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9A, 10, 12A, 12B, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25A, 25B)						
Date:	10/29/2015						
Time:	10:27:24 AM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of a letter of approval for Alianza Ambulance, Inc. in connection with its application to the Department of State Health Services for a license to operate an emergency medical service in the City of San Antonio. [Erik J. Walsh, Deputy City Manager; Charles N. Hood, Fire Chief]						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy R. Taylor	Mayor		x				
Roberto C. Treviño	District 1		x				x
Alan Warrick	District 2		x			x	
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5	x					
Ray Lopez	District 6	x					
Cris Medina	District 7		x				
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		x				
Joe Krier	District 9		x				
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x				