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TO:

The Honorable Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM:

William R. Bamattre, Fire Chief

SUBJECT:

INFORMATIONAL—INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT TO PROVIDE EMS/FIRE DISPATCH SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA

Questions raised during discussions with the Public Safety Committee led to administrative revisions to the EMS/Fire Dispatch Services Agreement between the City and Santa Monica. The following revisions have been made to the contract and reviewed by the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Los Angeles City Attorney:

- Dispatch and Technical Service Fee ("Service Fee") language revised to Technical and Regional Dispatch/Communication Service Fee ("Regional Service Fee") throughout the contract.
- A new provision was added to Section 3A (Fee and Base Incident Calculation), which offers Santa Monica three payment options for Regional Services provided by the City. The current contract language provides only one invoice option for the City and Santa Monica. Under the new provision, the City will invoice Santa Monica each quarter, semi-annual, and at the end of the contracted fiscal year for 25%, 50% and 100% of the total estimated annual "Regional Service Fee" respectively. Santa Monica will choose the preferred payment option and be required to make notification of such to the City by April 1 of the preceding fiscal year. The annual payment option stipulates payment of all Regional Service Fees be made by Santa Monica to the City no later than March 31 of each contracted fiscal year. This new language is also reflected in Exhibit A (Annual Fees for City Service) with the estimated quarter, semi-annual and annual Regional Service Fees.

The revisions to the EMS/Fire Dispatch Services Agreement between the City of Los Angeles and the City of Santa Monica consist of minor changes relative to the phrasing of dispatch service fees and the method of payment for said services provided by the City and more accurately reflect the intent of the contract with respect to regional interoperability goals and guidelines.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Fire Chief