

An Ordinance of the City of Plano, Texas, amending Ordinance No. 2020-10-2 codified as Section 8-3, City Ambulance Service, of Article I, Chapter 8, Fire Prevention and Protection, of the City of Plano Code of Ordinances to adopt increased user fees for City Ambulance Services; and providing a repealer clause, a severability clause, a savings clause, and an effective date.

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2020, the City Council of the City of Plano enacted Ordinance No. 2020-10-2 establishing user fees for ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the user fees for ambulance services to cover escalated operational costs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after all things considered, deems it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Plano that Section 8-3 of the Code of Ordinances be amended to increase user fees for ambulance services as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS, THAT:

Section I. Section 8-3 – City Ambulance Service, of Article I, Chapter 8 – Fire Prevention and Protection, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano, is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 8-3. City Ambulance Service

(a) The following user fees are hereby approved, adopted and levied, and shall be paid by those individuals and/or organizations making use of the city's fire department ambulance service:

The basic life support (BLS) fee for medical care rendered is one thousand thirty-five dollars (\$1,035.00); the advanced life support (ALS) fee for medical care rendered is one thousand one hundred seventeen dollars and fifty cents (\$1,117.50); the advanced life support (ALS2) fee for medical care rendered is one thousand one hundred forty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$1,147.50). A transportation fee of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$22.50) per mile from the incident location to the medical facility will apply to all transports. In addition to the above charges, when applicable, a seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) medication administration fee and/or a one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) non-resident fee will be charged per person per incident.

(b) The following user fees are hereby approved, adopted and levied, and shall be paid by those individuals and/or organizations making use of the City's Fire Department ambulance service. For EMS standby at Special Events, the following fee schedule applies:

- 1) EMS cart + two (2) paramedics at \$100.00 per hour
- 2) EMS cart + bike medics + four (4) paramedics at \$191.00 per hour
- 3) MICU* + two (2) paramedics at \$285.00 per hour
- 4) MICU* + EMS cart + four (4) paramedics at \$385.00 per hour
- 5) MICU* + EMS cart + bike medics + six (6) paramedics at \$476.00 per hour

* Minimum of four (4) hours per paramedic to be charged to the event as established by ordinance.

* Plano Fire Rescue's MICUs are subject to vehicle availability. Patients transported to the hospital will be billed at the established rate.

The user fees established above shall be collected by the accounting department, and upon receipt thereof, shall be credited to the general fund as an offset to the cost of providing the fire department service for which the fee is being charged.

Section II. Any provision of any Ordinance of the City of Plano, codified or uncoded, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the ordinances of the City of Plano, codified or uncoded, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section III. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any other remaining phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance.

Section IV. The repeal of any Ordinance or part of Ordinances effectuated by the enactment of this Ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such Ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying, or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, or as affecting any rights of the municipality under any section or provisions of any Ordinances at the time of passage of this Ordinance.

Section V. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 24th day of March, 2025.

John B. Muns, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lisa C. Henderson, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Paige Mims, CITY ATTORNEY