

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Renewing a Franchise for)
Ambulance Services to Metro West Ambulance) Order No. 83-2005
Service for Service Area 7 (Vernonia))

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 90-23 (the "Ordinance"), the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ambulance Service Areas and, pursuant to Section 8 of that Ordinance, the Board mandated that no person may provide ambulance service in Columbia County without being fully franchised in accordance with the applicable provisions; and

WHEREAS, current franchises are due to expire on December 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9 of the Ordinance, and Order No. 169-5, the Ambulance Service Administrator (the "Administrator") requested franchise renewal applications; and

WHEREAS, also pursuant to Section 9, on November 21, 2005, the Administrator received a renewal application from Metro West Ambulance Service for Area 7 (ASA-7), which is generally the Vernonia area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11 of the Ordinance the Administrator reviewed the renewal application and recommended renewal of the ambulance service franchise for Area 7 to Metro West Ambulance Service; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Administrator's recommendation is attached hereto as Attachment 1, and is incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 12 of the Ordinance, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on December 21, 2005, to consider the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the ambulance service franchise for Service Area 7 is hereby granted to Metro West Ambulance Service for the period beginning January 1, 2006, and ending December 31, 2010.

Dated this 21st day of December, 2005.

Approved as to form

By: Sarah Hanson
Office of County Counsel

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: [Signature]
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: [Signature]
Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner

By: [Signature]
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

**COLUMBIA COUNTY
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TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Vicki Harguth
Ambulance Service Administrator

DATE: December 20, 2005

SUBJECT: ASA Franchise Renewal Recommendations

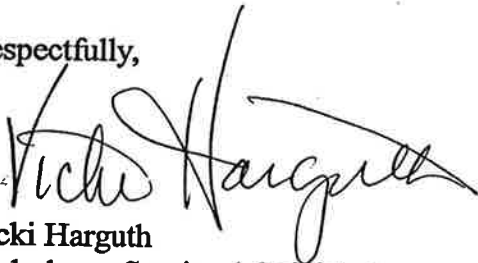
I have received and reviewed all of the required applications for Ambulance Service Area Franchises from four of the Fire Districts in Columbia County. I also received an application from Metro West Ambulance who serves the Vernonia Fire District by contract.

Each application represents a single Fire Protection District is the sole applicant for each of the Franchise Areas. I have reviewed their applications and found they have provided all the required information. Based on the information provided and their past experience I feel they will provide adequate ambulance service within Columbia County.

I recommend that a franchise to provide ambulance service within each of the Ambulance Service Areas, under the terms, conditions and duties as listed in Columbia County Ambulance Service Ordinance, Number 90-23, be granted to the following applicants beginning January 1, 2006, and ending on December 31, 2010:

Scappoose Rural Fire District	ASA 2
Vernonia Rural Fire District/Metro West Ambulance	ASA 7
Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire District	ASA 6
Clatskanie Rural Fire District	ASA 5
Columbia River Fire and Rescue District	ASA 3
	ASA 4

Respectfully,



Vicki Harguth
Ambulance Service Administrator