

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. 76 - 2010**
Service for Service Area 7 [Vernonia])

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6 of Ordinance No. 90-23, Columbia County Ambulance Service Ordinance, the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, 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, 2010; 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 September 30, 2010, the Administrator received a renewal application from Metro West Ambulance Service for Ambulance Service Area 7 (ASA-7), which is generally in 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 ASA-7 to Metro West Ambulance Service; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Administrator's recommendation is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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 1, 2010, 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, 2011, and ending December 31, 2015.

DATED this 1st day of December, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: 
Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: not present
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: 
Office of County Counsel

EXHIBIT A



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November 1, 2010

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Derek White, Ambulance Service Administrator

SUBJECT: ASA Franchise Renewal Recommendations

I have received and reviewed all of the required applications for Ambulance Service Area Franchise renewals. These applications came from four (4) fire districts in Columbia County as well as one from private-service Metro West Ambulance, which serves the Vernonia area by contract.

I have reviewed their applications and found them to be sufficient. The applicants have provided previous ambulance service to at least the minimum requirements set forth in Ordinance #90-23 and the County Ambulance Service Area Plan. Based on this precedent and the information in the renewal applications, I feel that they will provide adequate ambulance service within Columbia County.

I recommend that a franchise to provide ambulance service within each Ambulance Service Area (ASA), under the terms, conditions, and duties listed in Columbia County Ambulance Service Ordinance #90-23 be granted to the following applicants beginning January 1, 2011 and ending on December 31, 2015:

Scappoose Rural Fire District--ASA #2

Columbia River Fire and Rescue--ASA #3 and ASA #4

Clatskanie Rural Fire District--ASA #5

Mist-Birkenfeled Rural Fire District--ASA #6

Metro West Ambulance for Vernonia ASA--ASA #7

Per Ordinance 90-23, ASA #1, which is the northern part of Sauvie Island, is included in the Multnomah County ASA Plan and is not included in this process.

Respectfully,

Derek White
Ambulance Service Administrator