

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
JUNE 7, 2016 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>An ordinance to permit MEMS to conduct Basic Life Support emergency runs in non-life threatening situations pursuant to Arkansas Department of Health guidelines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">√ Ordinance Resolution Approval Information Report</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<p>SYNOPSIS</p> <p>FISCAL IMPACT</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>BACKGROUND</p>	<p>To permit MEMS to conduct a pilot program as to whether certain emergency ambulance runs can be done by Basic Life Support Service (EMT) instead of Advanced Life Support Service (Paramedic).</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Approval of the ordinance.</p> <p>MEMS was created as an all Advanced Life Support (ALS) System which means that a Paramedic is required for each ambulance run. However, as the Federal and State Government, and insurance companies, have modified regulations that deal with reimbursement, it has been determined that there are certain non-life threatening emergency class which do not require ALS service. MEMS has developed a pilot program with the Arkansas Department of Health to review this system. The ordinance allows that pilot program to take place, requires MEMS to provide periodic reports to the City, and to develop the data to support a modification of the current ordinance requirements if that is determined to be appropriate.</p>	