

## RESOLUTION NO. 84-06

### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 2006 AMBULANCE TRANSPORT FEES

Recitals.

In the year 2004 the Mesa County Commission adopted the County ambulance service resolution, MCM 2004-220. Among other things that resolution sought to establish methodologies for consistent delivery of ambulance services throughout the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Mesa County.

In February of 2006 the City and the County designated the Grand Junction Fire Department as the ambulance service provider for the Grand Junction Ambulance Service Area (GJASA). Before, during and after the designation there was significant time and effort devoted to developing a business model for the City's delivery of ambulance service to the GJASA. As part of the effort the City carefully reviewed the fee structure that is included in the Mesa County resolution. Based on that review the City has proposed a fee schedule that it finds to be more consistent with the rates charged by other communities for the delivery of comparable services, is more consistent with the Medicare allowable rates and that will serve to more accurately reflect the cost of providing the ambulance service.

Mesa County has agreed to review the rates in early 2007; however, until that review is completed the City believes that the rates provided for in following table are appropriate and shall be the prevailing rates for ambulance services provided by the City.

Emergency transport rates:

Medicare Code	Description	Charge
AO428	Basic Life Support Non-Emergent	\$572.00
AO429	Basic Life Support Emergent	\$572.00
AO426	Advanced Life Support Non-emergent	\$781.00
AO427	Advanced Life Support One	\$781.00
AO433	Advanced Life Support Two	\$781.00
AO434	Specialty Care (SCT)	\$850.00
AO425	Ground Mileage	\$9.97
A0420	Standby	
	ALS Ambulance	\$80/hour
	BLS Ambulance	\$70/hour
	PM	\$40/hour
	EMT-B	\$30/hour

Non-Emergency transport rates:

<b>Medicare Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Medicare Allowable</b>
AO428	Basic Life Support Non-Emergent	\$199.56
AO429	Basic Life Support Emergent	\$319.30
AO426	Advanced Life Support Non-emergent	\$239.48
AO427	Advanced Life Support One	\$379.17
AO433	Advanced Life Support Two	\$548.80
AO434	Specialty Care (SCT)	\$648.58
AO425	Ground Mileage	\$6.05

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION that:

1. The dollar amount of the ambulance service fees shall be set as provided herein. The City Council incorporates by this reference the evidence and supporting documentation developed by the Fire Department.
2. The ambulance service fees shall become effective on July 1, 2006.
3. The City Council adopts, confirms and ratifies the actions taken when it approved Resolution No. 84-06 and that the same shall to the extent necessary or required amend, continue and extend the resolution first approving and designating the Grand Junction Fire Department as the ambulance service provider for the Grand Junction Ambulance Service Area as the same is defined by Mesa County resolution 2004-220.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2006.

/s/ James J. Doody  
James J. Doody  
President of the Council

Attest:

/s/ Stephanie Tuin  
Stephanie Tuin  
City Clerk