

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-105

AGENDA:

MARCH 10, 2003

SUBJECT:

AGREEMENT WITH
WELLMARK
BLUECROSS
BLUESHIELD TO
PROVIDE DIRECT
PAYMENT FOR
AMBULANCE SERVICE
PROVIDED BY FIRE
DEPARTMENT

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

PHILLIP C. VORLANDER
FIRE CHIEF

ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

SYNOPSIS —

Renewal of agreement with Wellmark BlueCross BlueShield (John Forsythe, CEO, Des Moines, IA) facilitating direct payment to the City of Des Moines for ambulance service.

FISCAL IMPACT —

None

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

Prior to this agreement, Wellmark BlueCross BlueShield would send payment for ambulance service and transportation directly to their insured. Team Two, the City of Des Moines's contracted ambulance billing service, would then bill the insured. This agreement will continue to provide a more efficient means of collection for the City of Des Moines.

