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Chief of the Fire Department

AGENDA HEADING:

Agreement between the City of Des Moines Fire Department and University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for the provision of field clinical experience to University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics paramedic students.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the contract with the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for the provision of student preceptor services by the Des Moines Fire Department and authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

This service is beneficial to the City of Des Moines and is provided to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics at no cost, although the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics is required to provide Professional Liability Insurance coverage for their participants. In exchange for these preceptor services for its paramedic students, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics agrees to act as a sponsor for the Fire Department's EMT-Basic classes, resulting in significant cost avoidance to the City. These classes are taught by Des Moines Fire Department staff but must be sponsored and the curriculum approved by an authorized institution. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics provides this authorization in recognition of our providing the preceptor services specified in the Agreement.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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