

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

REGULAR MEETING

**SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX**

372 WEST DUVAL STREET

April 18, 2024 at 5:30 PM

**ADDITIONS**

*Opportunity for public comment shall be in accordance with Rule 4.704. Each person who wishes to address the Commission regarding the Consent Agenda or any Discussion and Action Agenda Item shall complete one comment card for each item and submit the card or cards to County staff in the front of the meeting room. Cards shall be submitted before the meeting is called to order.*

*Rules of decorum and rules for public participation are attached to the agenda handouts.*

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- (1) Resolution No. 2024R-07 - Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity - Columbia Emergency Services, Inc. (p.1)
  - (2) North Florida Mega Industrial Park Loan Schedule (p.4)





**COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM**

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Today's Date: 4/16/2024 Meeting Date: 4/18/2024

Department: BCC Administration

**1. Nature and purpose of agenda item:**

Resolution No. 2024R-07 - Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity - Columbia Emergency Services, Inc.

**2. Recommended Motion/Action:**

Approve

**3. Fiscal impact on current budget.**

This item has no effect on the current budget.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION NO. 2024R-07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC  
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO COLUMBIA  
EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC. IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH SECTION 401.25, FLORIDA STATUTE**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 401, Florida Statutes, Part III, Section 401.25, provides for Licensure by the State of Florida Department of Health of entities providing basic life support or advanced life support transportation services; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 401, Florida Statutes, Part III, subsection 401.25(2)(d), provides that a condition precedent to such licensure is a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from each county in which the applicant will operate; and

**WHEREAS**, Columbia Emergency Services, Inc. ("Columbia EMS"), shall provide emergency medical services, ambulance and transportation services for the citizens of Columbia County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, need has been demonstrated for Columbia EMS to provide these essential services to the citizens of this County; and

**WHEREAS**, Columbia EMS has indicated that it shall comply with all requirements of Chapter 401, Florida Statutes, Part III.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**, hereby certifies that public convenience and necessity will be served by Columbia Emergency Services, Inc., providing emergency medical services, ambulance and transportation services within Columbia County.

Columbia EMS shall utilize lights and sirens within Columbia County only when such use is justified by a patient's condition.

In issuing this certificate, the Board of County Commissioners attests that any recommendations of municipalities within the service area were considered.

This certificate shall expire upon the expiration or termination of Columbia Emergency Services, Inc.'s license issued by the State of Florida or five years from the date of this resolution, whichever occurs first.

**PASSED AND DULY** adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County Florida, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY**

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James M. Swisher, Jr. Clerk of Court

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Williams, Chairman

**(SEAL)**

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

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Joel F. Foreman, County Attorney



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