



COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

The Board of County Commissioners meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Columbia County School Board Administrative Complex Auditorium, 372 West Duval Street, Lake City, Florida 32055. All agenda items are due in the Board's office one week prior to the meeting date.

Today's Date: May 31, 2018 Meeting Date: June 7, 2018

Name: Joel Foreman Department: County Attorney

Division Manager's Signature: *Ben Scott*

1. Nature and purpose of agenda item:

Century Ambulance Service request for issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Attach any correspondence information, documents and forms for action i.e., contract agreements, quotes, memorandums, etc.

2. Fiscal impact on current budget.

Is this a budgeted item? N/A
 Yes Account No. _____
 No Please list the proposed budget amendment to fund this request

Budget Amendment Number: _____ Fund: _____

FROM: _____ TO: _____ AMOUNT: _____

For Use of County Manger Only:

Consent Item Discussion Item

MEMORANDUM

To: June 7, 2018 Agenda

From: Joel F. Foreman

Re: Century Ambulance Request for COPCN

Resolution 2018R-18

Date: May 31, 2018

Attached is a request for issuance of a COPCN from Century Ambulance Service, the County's current 911 service provider.

Also attached for consideration and adoption is a proposed COPCN responsive to Century's request.



May 31, 2018

Ben Scott
County Manager
Columbia County
P.O. Box 1529
Lake City, Florida 32056-1526

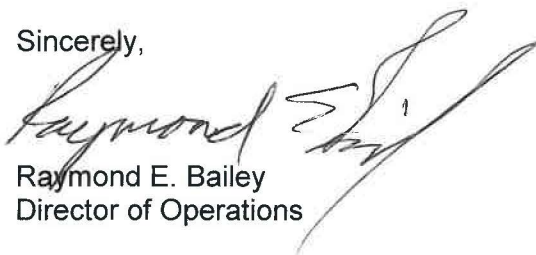
Mr. Scott,

Century Ambulance's state license to provide EMS for Columbia County is due for renewal on September 13, 2018. I have enclosed a copy of our current license. Our current Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) from Columbia County, which I have enclosed a copy of, is set to expire on this date. This COPCN states "this certificate shall expire upon the expiration or termination of Century's license issued by the State of Florida or five years from the date of this resolution, whichever occurs first".

I am writing to request the Board of County Commissioners to issue a new COPCN that will coincide with our contract with the county, which currently runs to September 30, 2021.

Please let me know if I can assist in this matter and advise of any further required action on our part. I also request notice of the date this matter will go before the Board of Commissioners

Sincerely,



Raymond E. Bailey
Director of Operations



**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL OVERSIGHT**

ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT SERVICE LICENSE

This is to certify that: CENTURY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. DBA CENTURY EMS COLUMBIA CO. Provider Number # 10000
Name of Provider

1509 SW CENTURY GLEN, LAKE CITY, FLORIDA 32025
Address

has complied with Chapter 401, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 64J-1, Florida Administrative Code, and is authorized to operate as an Advanced Life Support Service subject to any and all limitations specified in the applicable Certificate(s) of Public Convenience and Necessity and/or Mutual Aid Agreements for the County(s) listed below:

COLUMBIA
County (s)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve A. McCoy".

Steve A. McCoy
Emergency Medical Services Administrator
Florida Department of Health

THIS CERTIFICATE EXPIRES ON: 09/13/2018

This certificate shall be posted in the above mentioned establishment

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017 R-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVIENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CENTURY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. d/b/a CENTURY EMS-COLUMBIA COUNTY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 401.25, FLORIDA STATUTES

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, **CENTURY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. d/b/a CENTURY EMS-COLUMBIA COUNTY** (“Century”), shall provide emergency medical services, ambulance and transportation services for the citizens of Columbia County, Florida; and

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

WHEREAS, Century has indicated that it shall comply with all requirements of Chapter 401, Florida Statutes, Part III;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County hereby CERTIFIES that public convenience and necessity will be served by **CENTURY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. d/b/a CENTURY EMS-COLUMBIA COUNTY**, providing emergency medical services, ambulance and transportation services within Columbia County.

Century shall in no way interfere with or cause confusion with respect to the performance of contractual emergency 9-1-1 services (EMS) provided by any third party to the County.

Century 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 of termination of Century'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 20th day of July, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA



RONALD WILLIAMS, Chairman

ATTEST: 

P. DeWitt Cason
Clerk of Courts

Approved as to form:



Joel F. Foreman, County Attorney

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PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Tim Murphy, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

P. DeWitt Cason
Clerk of Courts

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Joel F. Foreman, County Attorney