



## 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: 8/7/2020 Meeting Date: 8/20/2020

Name: Ben Scott Department: BCC Administration

Division Manager's Signature:

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

Century Ambulance - Request for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Resolution 2020R-26 will provide

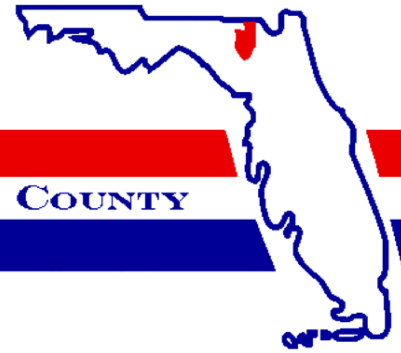
### 2. Recommended Motion/Action:

Approve the Request and Resolution 2020R-26

### 3. Fiscal impact on current budget.

This item has no effect on the current budget.

District No. 1 - Ronald Williams  
District No. 2 – Rocky Ford  
District No. 3 - Bucky Nash  
District No. 4 – Toby Witt  
District No. 5 – Tim Murphy



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS • COLUMBIA COUNTY**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FR: Ben Scott, County Manager *Ben Scott*

DATE: August 7, 2020

RE: Century Ambulance Request for COPCN, Resolution 2020R-26

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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.

**BOARD MEETS FIRST THURSDAY AT 5:30 P.M.  
AND THIRD THURSDAY AT 5:30 P.M.**



July 29, 2020

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

Mr. Scott,

Century Ambulance's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN), Resolution Number 2019 R-11, is set to expire on the expiration date of our State License (1614), which is September 14, 2020. This COPCN is used to satisfy requirements of our State License from Florida's Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight and allows us to do inter-facility transports from and within Columbia County. I am writing to ask the Board of County Commissioners to renew this COPCN. We will provide a copy of our renewed State License once it is received.

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

Sincerely,

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Dudley Lee  
Director of Logistics and Support Services

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**Ron DeSantis**  
Governor

**Scott A. Rivkees, MD**  
State Surgeon General

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July 22, 2020  
Via E-mail

Century Ambulance Service, Inc. Dba Century Ems - Columbia Co.  
c/o Dudley Lee, Director of Logistics and Support  
2110 Herschel Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32204

Dear Mr. Lee:

I would like to welcome you as a renewed licensed provider of Emergency Medical Services in Florida. Your provider number will remain the same and is 10000.

As an EMS Provider in the State of Florida, you are responsible for every action of every component of emergency medical services provided pursuant to your license. This responsibility includes, but is not limited to ensuring proper oversight by the medical director, ensuring that all personnel are appropriately certified, trained and operating pursuant to protocols, maintain all equipment and vehicles required and complying with all laws and regulations.

The trauma transport protocols (TTPs) that you submitted along with your renewal licensure package have been approved by the Department. TTPs must be kept up-to-date at all times, revisions must be submitted to the department and to the trauma agency if one exists, for approval at least 60 days prior to the proposed TTP revisions. The Department shall review the proposed revisions within 30 days of receipt to determine compliance with section 64J-2 and Florida Statutes, Chapter 395. A copy of the updated TTPs must be sent to all trauma centers and hospital listed in your TTPs. Please contact the department if there are any questions regarding your TTP's.

Sincerely,

Steve A. McCoy, Administrator  
Emergency Medical Services

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**Florida Department of Health**

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**COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION NO. 2020R-26**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE  
AND NECESSITY TO CENTURY AMBULANCE SERVICE,  
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**, Century Ambulance Service, Inc. ("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, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**, hereby certifies that public convenience and necessity will be served by Century Ambulance Service, Inc., 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 or 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 August, 2020.

**ATTEST:**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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James M. Swisher, Jr., Clerk of Courts

(SEAL)

By:\_\_\_\_\_  
Toby Witt, Chairman

Approval as to form and correctness:

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Joel F. Foreman, County Attorney