

Fire Department

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<u>VIA Email</u> Alderman Mark Borkowski - Chair Ambulance Service Board

RE: Proposed Annual Ambulance Rate Adjustment

Chapter 75 assigns the responsibility to the fire department to annually adjust the rates for ambulance transport according to the relevant measures from the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB), provides the medical care portion of the CPI for Chicago-Naperville-Elgin and for Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington. At the time of the previous rate change in May of 2020, the indexes were 519.194 and 570.270 respectively for an average of 544.732. The average medical care CPI for January 2021 is 562.212 for a net change of 1.03%.

Pursuant to Chapter 75, the Milwaukee Fire Department respectfully requests that the Ambulance Service Board submit to the Common Council 2021 ambulance rates for service that reflect a 1% increase, and that the current average January 2021 index of 562.2 be reflected in the record for reference in the following year.

Respectfully,

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