

RESOLUTION NO. 6474

A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR A ONE-YEAR PILOT COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC PROGRAM FROM THE INTERCOMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK-COORDINATED CARE ORGANIZATION AND HIRE UP TO TWO FULLTIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Fire Department experiences a significant increase in emergency calls for service annually, but funding is not available to support a commensurate increase in emergency resources; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is evaluating programs and service delivery that can reduce the number of emergency calls for service; and

WHEREAS, approximately 66 percent of all emergency calls for service result in transport to a hospital emergency room; and

WHEREAS, a Community Paramedic Program can reduce the number of emergency transports to hospital emergency rooms by focusing on in-home care and referral to alternative healthcare options; and

WHEREAS, the InterCommunity Health Network-Coordinated Care Organization through the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services can put pilot programs and projects in place that are aimed at improving local health and healthcare in Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties; and

WHEREAS, with InterCommunity Health Network-Coordinated Care Organization funding, the Fire Department would initiate a one-year pilot Community Paramedic Program to provide transformative healthcare aimed at decreasing emergency calls and transports to hospital emergency rooms; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department would need to hire up to two fulltime equivalent employees to support the activities of the Community Paramedic Program; and

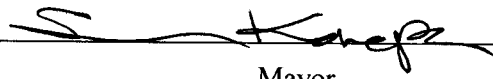
WHEREAS, Oregon Local Budget Law provides that expenditures in the year of receipt of grants, gifts, bequests or devices transferred to the local government in trust for a specific purpose may be made after enactment of a resolution or ordinance authorizing the expenditure (ORS 294.326(3)).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Chief to enter into a contract with InterCommunity Health Network-Coordinated Care Organization to receive \$290,400 for a one-year pilot Community Paramedic Program and hire up to two fulltime equivalent employees to support the activities of the program.

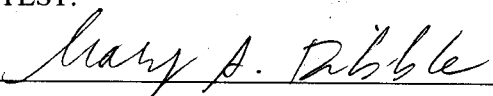
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the funds are hereby appropriated as follows:

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| Resources: | Debit | Credit |
| 203-25-5117 | | \$290,400 |
| Requirements: | | |
| 203-25-5117 | \$290,400 | |

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 13TH DAY OF JANUARY 2016.



Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk