




Interoffice Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM

December 2, 2021

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
-AND-
County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: **Consent Agenda – December 14, 2021**
Resolution – Certification of Use of Florida Emergency Medical Services
Grant Act Funds

The Florida Emergency Medical Services Grant Act codified in Chapter 401, Part II, Florida Statutes ("Act"), authorizes the Florida Department of Health ("DH") to make grants to the Board in accordance with agreements entered into pursuant to the Act. Pursuant to the Act, grant funds that are disbursed from the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund are required to be used solely to improve and expand prehospital emergency medical services.

Approximately each year, Orange County EMS/Office of the Medical Director ("EMS") requests that the Board approve an application for a county award grant using DH Form 1684, EMS County Grant Application, December 2008, contained in the EMS County Grant Program Application Package, December 2008, in accordance with Rule 64J-1.015, Florida Administrative Code ("Application"). Previous grant awards have included items such as the implementation of a countywide EMS computer system, the placement of automatic external defibrillators throughout the county, and the development of a customer-driven, long-range Strategic Plan. The proposed budget for the county grant award is developed and approved by the EMS Advisory Council. In addition to the Orange County Fire Rescue Department, all municipal and private EMS agencies in Orange County participate in the grant process.

The Board approved the most recent EMS County Grant Application on November 16, 2021. The Application requires a resolution from the Board certifying that the grant funds will improve and expand the county pre-hospital EMS system and will not be used to supplant current levels of county expenditures. The Application states that the Florida Department of Health cannot process the Application for funds without said resolution.

ACTION REQUESTED: **Approval and execution of Resolution of the Orange County Board of County Commissioners regarding Certification of Use of Florida Emergency Medical Services Grant Act Funds. All Districts**

Attachments