

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: March 15, 2011

Consent Regular
 Public Hearing

Department

Submitted By: PUBLIC SAFETY

Submitted For: Emergency Management / EMS

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: an Amendment to Tequesta Fire Rescue's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) correcting and updating prior service areas to include four geographical areas that are covered by an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue until September 30, 2012 to Tequesta Fire Rescue's COPCN.

Summary: On December 21, 2010 the Public Safety Department through its Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Office submitted a request to approve the renewal of eleven (11) COPCN's. The Village of Tequesta's area of service needs to include the following four (4) geographical areas that are covered by an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue until September 30, 2012: Area 1: all parcels south of the Village of Tequesta's municipal border, east of Point Drive/Rio Vista Drive along the Loxahatchee River, and back north along Rio Vista Drive to the Tequesta border line. Area 2: all parcels not within the Village of Tequesta's municipal boundary: east of Country Club Drive, south to Tequesta Drive, east to the Loxahatchee River, and back north to the Tequesta line. Area 3: all parcels not within the Village of Tequesta's municipal boundary, east of the Loxahatchee River, south to the Tequesta line (just north of N Dover Road), east to the Tequesta line (just west of Gardens Street), and back north to the Tequesta line. Area 4: All parcels within the City limits of Jupiter, south of the Village of Tequesta's boundary line, east to the FEC railroad tracks, south to the Loxahatchee River, and back north along the Loxahatchee River to the Tequesta Line. Countywide (GB)

Background and Policy Issues: In order to improve and enhance the response times, coverage, and overall efficiency of Fire Rescue and EMS to their residents and visitors, Fire Rescue entered into a First Amendment to Emergency Services Agreement with the Village of Tequesta on October 1, 2009 to have the Village of Tequesta provide said services until September 30, 2012. The Village of Tequesta will provide primary ALS and routinely transport BLS. According to the EMS Ordinance (2010-056, Section 8), the Board of County Commissioners may approve the amendment, transfer, or assignment, of a COPCN. Tequesta's COPCN will be valid from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2016, except the four (4) geographical areas which are being added shall be valid until September 30, 2012.

Attachments:

- 1. Revised COPCN for the Village of Tequesta (2 copies)
- 2. Palm Beach Post – Proof of Publication

Recommended by: *Vincent J. Bonvento* 3/3/11
Department Director Date

Approved by: *Vincent J. Bonvento* 3/3/11
Assistant County Administrator Date

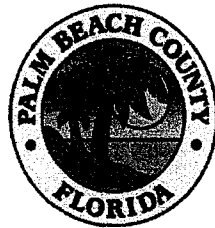
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Palm Beach County Emergency Medical Services

WHEREAS, there is a need for Tequesta Fire Rescue to operate and provide essential emergency medical services to the citizens and visitors of Palm Beach County, Florida; and WHEREAS, said agency has applied to provide these services; and WHEREAS, said agency has indicated that it will comply with the requirements of Palm Beach County's Emergency Medical Services Ordinance (#2010-056), the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County hereby issues a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to said emergency medical service provider, valid from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2016.

In issuing this Certificate, it is understood that the agency named hereon will meet the requirements of all pertinent county and state legislation and will provide emergency medical services on a twenty-four hour basis in the area(s) or zone(s) designated, providing the level of service endorsed as follows:

Area(s): The incorporated boundaries of the Villages of Tequesta and Jupiter Inlet Colony (January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2016); and (2) the four geographical areas that are covered by an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue (January 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012) **Area 1:** Includes all parcels south of the Village of Tequesta municipality border, east of Point Drive/ Rio Vista Drive along the Loxahatchee River, and back north along Rio Vista Drive to the Tequesta border line. **Area 2:** Includes all parcels not within the Village of Tequesta municipality boundary: east of Country Club Drive, south to Tequesta Drive, east to the Loxahatchee River, and back north to the Tequesta line. **Area 3:** Includes all parcels not within the Village of Tequesta municipality boundary, east of the Loxahatchee River, south to the Tequesta line (just north of N Dover Road), east to the Tequesta line (just west of Gardens Street), and back north to the Tequesta line. **Area 4:** All parcels within the City limits of Jupiter, south of the Village of Tequesta boundary line, east to the FEC railroad tracks, south to the Loxahatchee River, and back north along the Loxahatchee River to the Tequesta Line.

Service Endorsed: Primary ALS Provider – ALS Transport, Routinely provides BLS transport



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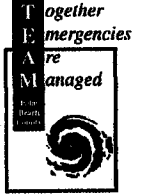
Director, Division of Emergency Management



Chair, Board of County Commissioners

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RE: Notice of Public Hearing regarding the approval of an amendment to Tequesta Fire Rescue's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) to provide Fire Rescue Services and Advanced Life Support Transportation by adding four geographical areas that are covered by an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue until September 30, 2012 that were not included in the renewal process for Tequesta Fire Rescue on December 21, 2010 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2016.

Publish: March 6, 2011

Please publish the enclosed Public Hearing Notice regarding the approval of an amended Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

Please provide this office with four (4) proofs of publication, along with your bill in quadruplicate, prior to the Public Hearing on March 15, 2011. These should be mailed to the address below:

Palm Beach County Emergency Management
 Attn: Lynette Schurter
 20 S. Military Trail
 West Palm Beach, FL 33415-3130

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact my office at 712-6696.

Yours truly,

Vince Bonvento, Public Safety Director
 Department of Public Safety

cc: Vince Bonvento Public Safety Director
 Sally Waite, EMS Office
 Lisa De La Rionda, Public Affairs
 Dawn Wynn, Asst County Attorney
 Minutes Department

Attachment # 2



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 9:30 A.M. in the Jane Thompson Memorial Chambers, 6th Floor of the Governmental Center, 301 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida, Notice of Public Hearing regarding the approval of an amendment to Tequesta Fire Rescue's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) to provide Fire Rescue Services and Advanced Life Support Transportation by adding four geographical areas that are covered by an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue until September 30, 2012 and that were not included in the renewal process for Tequesta Fire Rescue on December 21, 2010 for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2016. The four geographical areas are as follows:

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If a person decides to appeal any decision made by this Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting of hearing, he will need to have a record of proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Board of County Commissioners

Vince Bonvento, Director of Public Safety
Department of Public Safety

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