

ITEM #26₍₂₎

(Revised Ordinance)

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

Public Hearing

APRIL 20, 2021

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

MAYOR STEVE GELLER

1 (i) Vehicles ~~used~~ owned or operated directly by hospitals to transport patients
2 to or from the hospitals or other medical facilities, if the hospitals do not charge a fee for
3 this service; ~~or vehicles that are used~~ owned or operated directly by hospitals to transport
4 nonemergency patients whose medical condition is such that they are confined to a
5 wheelchair or to a stretcher but who do not need, nor are likely to need, medical attention
6 during transport; and

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8 Section 3. Section 3½-12 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby
9 amended to read as follows:

10 **Sec. 3½-12. Rules, regulations, and reporting.**

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12 (e) *Standards and Requirements for EMS Providers Providing BLS Service.*

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14 (4) Each ambulance that is used for BLS Service must be staffed with a
15 minimum of one (1) State of Florida certified EMT or paramedic and a driver.
16 The driver must ~~either be~~ (a) be a State of Florida certified EMT or
17 paramedic; ~~or~~ (b) must be enrolled in a State of Florida certified EMT
18 program within ninety (90) days after commencement of employment or in
19 the first available offered course, and must successfully complete the
20 course to remain eligible to be counted toward the staffing requirement; or
21 (c) meet all of the following requirements, as documented by the EMS
22 provider:

23 a. Is at least eighteen (18) years old;

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1 b. Certified under oath that the driver is not addicted to alcohol or any
2 controlled substance and is free from any physical or mental defect
3 or disease that might impair the driver's ability to drive an ambulance;

4 c. Has not, within the past three (3) years, pled guilty or nolo
5 contendere or been convicted of reckless driving or driving under the
6 influence of alcohol or controlled substances, and has not had a
7 driver license suspended under the point system provided for in
8 Chapter 322, Florida Statutes;

9 d. Possesses a valid Florida driver license issued under Chapter 322,
10 Florida Statutes, and a valid Broward County chauffeur's registration;

11 e. Is trained in the safe operation of ambulances, and has completed
12 an emergency vehicle operator's course or the reasonable
13 equivalent, as determined by the State of Florida or the Division;

14 f. Possesses a valid American Red Cross or National Safety Council
15 standard first aid course card or an equivalent card, as determined
16 by the Division; and

17 g. Possesses a valid American Red Cross or American Heart
18 Association cardiopulmonary resuscitation card or an equivalent
19 card, as determined by the Division.

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21 Section ~~3~~ 4. Section 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -17 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby
22 amended to read as follows:

23 **Sec. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -17. Application and license for nonemergency medical transportation**
24 **service.**

Coding: Words in ~~struck-through~~ type are deletions from existing text. Words in underscored type are additions.