

City of Minneapolis
Request for Committee Action

To: Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management
Date: 9/16/2015
From: Fire Department
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File type: Ordinance
Subcategory: Code Amendment

Subject:

Ordinance amendment adopting a new Section 173.220 authorizing the recovery of costs for certain emergency protection services.

Description:

Approve amending Chapter 173 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances by adopting a new Section 173.220 establishing fees for certain emergency protection services within the city.

Previous Actions:

This subject matter was introduced to the Minneapolis City Council on August 7, 2015.

Ward/Neighborhood/Address:

All Wards

Background/Analysis:

Minnesota law permits cities to charge for designated emergency services pursuant to Minn. Stat. 366.011, 366.012 and 415.01. The fire department currently charges for motor vehicle accident services inclusive of vehicular extrications. This ordinance would formalize that already-existing program, previously authorized by resolution, into ordinance. Additionally, this ordinance would authorize the department to begin seeking cost recovery for technical rescue services necessitated by trespassing or the violation of any other law. The ordinance as drafted permits the city to charge the fees designated in the rate section to any person receiving such technical rescue services based upon trespassing or other law violation and to the owners of the affected property, and makes all such persons jointly and severally liable for such charges.

Financial Review:

No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.

- Future budget impact anticipated.**
- Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.**
- Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.**

Attachments:

1. List attachments or delete.