



Milwaukee County

Legislation Text

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Requesting approval to designate an authorized emergency vehicle for assignment to the Office of Emergency Management Emergency Medical Services Division (OEM EMS)

From the Director, Milwaukee County Office on Emergency Management (OEM), requesting approval to designate an authorized emergency vehicle for assignment to the Emergency Medical Services Division (EMS), as required by Wis. Stat. § 340.01(3)(e), equipped with flashing red lights and siren, in conformance with Wis. Stat. § 346.03(3), which details the requirements of emergency vehicles, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management operates the Emergency Medical Services Division (OEM EMS) which provides continuing education and credentialing of 535 active paramedics in the County EMS System and administers the protocols and standards of care delivered by those paramedics; and

WHEREAS, OEM EMS is procuring a Response Vehicle for the Division to provide additional services/capabilities to the Emergency Medical System and the citizens of Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, the Director of OEM requests to designate the Response Vehicle as an authorized emergency vehicle, which requires the approval of the County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 340.01(3)(e); and

WHEREAS, the OEM EMS Response Vehicle will be operated by designated personnel of the EMS Division that will have a valid Wisconsin Driver's License and be licensed as a healthcare provider; and

WHEREAS, required training will consist of an initial Emergency Vehicle Operators Course followed by annual continuing education; and

WHEREAS, while on an emergency deployment, the OEM EMS Response Vehicle will display audible and visual warning devices in compliance with Wis. Stat. § 346.03(3), to give "a visual signal by means of at least one flashing, oscillating, or rotating red light... and also an audible signal by means of a siren or exhaust whistle."; and

WHEREAS, to enhance the capability, oversight, and response of the EMS staff in exigent situations, the authorization of an emergency vehicle for the Office of Emergency Management is recommended; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the designation of an emergency vehicle, as required by Wis. Stat. § 340.01(3)(e), to be equipped with flashing red lights and siren, in conformance with Wis. Stat. § 346.03(3) which details the requirements for such vehicles, for use by authorized staff within the Office of Emergency Management Emergency Medical Services Division that have met the prerequisite training and continuing education requirements to operate the vehicle.