

# City Council Seminar Notice & Agenda

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Saturday, August 29, 2015  
Development and Community Services Building  
Point of View Room  
9875 North 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Peoria, AZ 85345

**8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast**

**Convene  
Roll Call**

## Seminar Agenda

### **Subject(s) for Discussion Only**

1. Fire/Medical Services

## Adjournment

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**Peoria Fire-Medical  
Council Presentation**

Fire Chief Bobby Ruiz

Peoria Fire-Medical Department

8/29/2015



## ***City of Peoria Fire-Medical Department***

### Council Presentation Saturday - August 29, 2015 DCSB - Point of View Room

#### **Overview**

The City of Peoria covers approximately 185 geographical square miles with a population of around 167,000 residents. In addition, a 15 square mile recreational lake that is also used as a reservoir for Central Arizona Project water is located within its boundaries.

The Peoria Fire-Medical Department currently has eight fire stations, with at least four more planned to come on-line within the next decade, that house and operate a variety of equipment and personnel. Within those eight fire stations we operate the following; eight (8) ALS Engine Companies, two (2) BLS Ladder Companies, two (2) Battalion Chiefs, two (2) Advanced Technical Rescue Teams, one (1) Advanced Hazardous Materials Response Team, and one (1) Fire Boat/Rescue Swimmer Team. There are additional pieces of apparatus and equipment that can supplement our responses, but are not permanently staffed by personnel, they include; a Decon Cargo Truck, a 100 Patient Mass-Casualty Truck, a 3000 Gallon Water Tender, and a Polaris Ranger 6x6 UTV used for off-road rescues and patient extractions from remote locations.

#### **Operations**

An **Engine Company** is comprised of four personnel; one (1) Captain, one (1) Engineer and two (2) Firefighters. A minimum of two (2) crew members certified as Paramedics, and two are certified EMT's.

A **Ladder Company** is comprised of four personnel; one (1) Captain, one (1) Engineer and two (2) Firefighters. All four personnel are certified EMT's.



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### **Responsibilities of an ALS Engine Company on a Fire Call include the following:**

1. Search, rescue, fire attack, and treatment of potential fire related victims.
2. Stretch hoselines.
3. Operate nozzles.
4. Pump hoselines.
5. Loss control.

### **Responsibilities of an ALS Engine Company on an EMS Call include the following:**

1. Understand approved medical protocols, standing orders, policies and procedures.
2. Understand techniques of proper drug administration.
3. Understand medical characteristics of various drugs and solutions.
4. Understand record keeping procedures and methods of documentation.
5. Understand all applicable local, state and federal regulations.
6. Render pre-hospital emergency care according to established medical protocols.
7. Perform triage and a variety of emergency medical treatments at the Basic and Advanced Life support level. Provide continuing care and treatment while enroute to an emergency medical facility; monitor and report changes in patient condition.
8. Under medical direction and following prescribed standing orders perform a variety of invasive and non-invasive therapies including but not limited to assessment and evaluation of the ill and injured, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation, administration of drugs, agents and solutions, intubation and pulmonary ventilation, drawing of blood samples for analysis, application of dressing and bandages, control of shock, and immobilization of fractures.
9. Perform a variety of emergency medical treatment services at the basic and advanced life support levels.
10. Act as a preceptor for EMS students.
11. Handle radio communications during emergency and non-emergency situations professionally.
12. Perform related duties as assigned.



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### **Responsibilities of a BLS Ladder Company on a Fire or Rescue Call include the following:**

1. Search, rescue, fire attack, and treatment of potential fire related victims.
2. Ventilate.
3. Forcible entry.
4. Raise ladders.
5. Provide access/check fire extension.
6. Utility control.
7. Provide lighting.
8. Operate ladder pipes (aerials and platforms only).
9. Perform overhaul.
10. Extrication.
11. Loss control.

### **Responsibilities of a BLS Ladder Company on an EMS Call include the following:**

1. Opening and maintaining an airway
2. Ventilating patients
3. Administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including use of automated external defibrillators.
4. Providing pre-hospital emergency medical care of simple and multiple system trauma such as:
  - a. controlling hemorrhage
  - b. treatment of shock
  - c. bandaging wounds
  - d. immobilization of painful, swollen, or deformed extremities
  - e. immobilization of painful, swollen, or deformed neck or spine
  - f. providing emergency medical care to; assist in emergency childbirth, manage general medical complaints of altered mental status, respiratory, cardiac, diabetic, allergic reaction, seizures, poisoning, behavioral emergencies, environmental emergencies, and psychological crises.

Additional care is provided based upon assessment of the patient and obtaining historical information. Searching for medical identification emblems as a guide to appropriate emergency medical care. Assisting patients with prescribed medications, including sublingual nitroglycerin, epinephrine auto-injectors and hand-held aerosol inhalers. Administration of oxygen, oral glucose and activated charcoal.



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### **Emergency Medical Services**

The Emergency Medical Services portion of the presentation focuses on five areas.

They are:

- Overview of Current EMS Operations
- Overview of the Alternative Response Vehicle (Low Acuity Response) Concept
- Overview of Mobile Integrated Health Care i.e. Community Paramedicine
- Ambulance (Transportation Services)
- Overview and Update on the Certificate of Necessity (CON) Process

### **Overview of Current EMS Operations**

Overview of current EMS operations which includes the longevity of providing paramedic services to the City of Peoria; the equipment, treatments and capabilities of EMS care delivery, and the factors that drive care including Quality Assurance, protocols, community partnerships and evidence based medicine.

At the conclusion of the overview a demonstration of EMS Equipment, 12-lead EKG acquisition and faxing and the latest cardiac arrest resuscitation techniques will be given.

### **Overview of the Alternative Response Vehicle (Low Acuity Response) Concept**

A historical perspective on EMS response staffing models, an update on the current model and proposed cost efficient staffing models in the future. An overview of the changes that are driving response model changes for the future is covered. Data concerning current call volume and the anticipated future impacts on unit availability as well as response times is discussed.



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### **Overview of Mobile Integrated Health Care i.e. Community Paramedicine**

Focus on the National and Local aspects of Community Paramedicine, most currently being referred to as Mobile Integrated Health Care (MIHC). An overview of what Community Paramedicine is and the integration of Mobile Integrated Health Care into the community and the fire based EMS role in community health. A presentation of current statistics involving hospital readmissions as well as an overview of national and local models and anticipated changes in reimbursement for services is covered.

### **Ambulance (Transportation Services)**

Current status of the ambulance transportation in Peoria including response models and current contract. Also covered in this portion will be proposed public/private partnership models to provide transportation services as well as the current state of the private ambulance transportation industry.

### **Overview and Update on the Certificate of Necessity (CON) Process**

Review of the Certificate of Necessity (CON) process, and update on the City of Peoria CON application, and a presentation of possible response models that can include a public private partnership. An update on the next steps regarding ambulance transportation services is covered.