



TO: Urbana City Council
FROM: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin
RE: Repealing Emergency Order 20-02 Ambulance Services
DATE: 18 April 2022

On March 31, 2020, Emergency Order 20-02 was issued in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic to temporarily modify staffing requirements and response times for private ambulance companies operating in the City of Urbana.

***Urbana City Code Requirements:** Urbana City Code ("UCC") Sections 3.5-51(a) and (b) require that private ambulance companies staff their ambulances, when in use for emergency calls, with one EMT and one advanced provider or two advanced providers. UCC Section 3.5-60(a)(2) provides that private ambulance companies must respond to (i) scene calls categorized as class B, C, D, or E (as defined by the emergency dispatch system) within eight (8) minutes of when the dispatch call was received and (ii) all other non-code responses to dispatch calls categorized as class A (as defined by the emergency dispatch system) within twelve (12) minutes. At least ninety percent (90%) of responses in a reporting period must meet these response times.*

Emergency Order 20-02 allowed for these agreements to be temporarily suspended in the following ways:

- Allowance of ambulances operated by private companies to be staffed at a minimum level with two EMT-Basic certified individuals without incurring any fine
- Penalties provided for in UCC Section 3.5-60(a)(6) were waived if response times fell below the 90%

On April 13, 2020, City Council adopted Ordinance 2020-04-021 ratifying Emergency Order 20-02 issued by the Mayor.

As the current status of the COVID-19 Pandemic is no longer having significant impact on ambulance services and staffing, and the provisions of this Emergency Order are no longer necessary, Emergency Order 20-02 should be repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 2020-04-021
PERTAINING TO RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER 20-02**

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2020-03-015, being a Temporary Emergency Ordinance to Address the COVID-19 Pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2020-03-015 authorized the Mayor to issue a Temporary Emergency Declaration and vested the Mayor with certain emergency powers and authority to address the public health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Ordinance 2020-03-015 provides that all emergency orders issued by the Mayor are subject to review and ratification by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, the Mayor issued Emergency Order 20-02 with regard to ambulance services within the City; and,

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2020-04-021 which ratified Emergency Order 20-02 issued by the Mayor; and,

WHEREAS, the current status of the COVID-19 Pandemic is no longer having the impact on ambulance services and staffing as it had at the time Emergency Order 20-02 was issued; and,

WHEREAS, the provisions of Emergency Order 20-02 are no longer necessary; and,

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Ordinance 2020-04-021 provides that the City Council has the authority to repeal such ordinance prior to the lifting or termination of the Governor's disaster declaration and the Mayor's Declaration of Emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana,

Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Upon the effective date of this Ordinance, Ordinance 2020-04-021 is hereby superseded and repealed, and the underlying Emergency Order ratified by such ordinance shall no longer be in effect.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval as required by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ____ day of April, 2022.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of April, 2022.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04-021

**RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER 20-02 AMBULANCE SERVICES
STAFFING AND RESPONSE TIMES ISSUED ON MARCH 31, 2020**

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (“City”) is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2020-03-015, Temporary Emergency Ordinance to Address the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020 and pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-03-015, the Mayor issued Emergency Order 20-02 – Modification of Certain Sections of Urbana City Code Chapter 3.5 – Ambulance Services to address issues relating to staffing of and response times provided by privately-owned ambulance services that operate within the City of Urbana ; and

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 provides that all emergency orders issued by the Mayor shall be subject to review and ratification by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed Emergency Order 20-02 and believes that it benefits public health, safety and welfare residents, businesses and visitors in and to the City of Urbana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.

The City Council, after reviewing Emergency Order 20-02, hereby ratifies and confirms the said Emergency Order and the same shall remain in full force and effect until the Governor of the State of Illinois lifts or terminates his disaster declaration or the Mayor lifts or terminates her Declaration of Emergency, whichever is later. Notwithstanding, the immediate foregoing, the City Council shall have the authority to repeal this Ordinance prior to the lifting or termination of the Governor’s disaster declaration and the Mayor’s Declaration of Emergency.

Section 2.

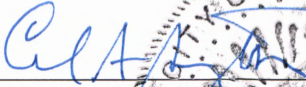
This Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or a liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing prior to the effective date of this Ordinance; nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 13th day of April, 2020.

AYES: Brown, Colbrook, Hursey, Jakobsson, Miller, Roberts, Wu

NAYS:

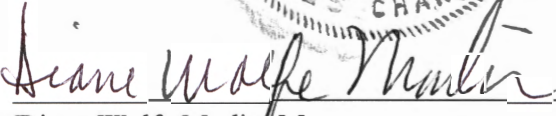
ABSTENTIONS:



Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk



APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 14th day of April, 2020.



Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

EMERGENCY ORDER 20-02
MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF URBANA CITY CODE
CHAPTER 3.5 – AMBULANCE SERVICES

Effective Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 until further notice.

EXPLANATION: This emergency order temporarily modifies the staffing requirements and response times for private ambulance companies operating in the City of Urbana as otherwise provided in Urbana City Code Chapter 3.5-51.

AUTHORITY TO ISSUE EMERGENCY ORDER: Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 – Temporary Emergency Order to Address the COVID-19 Virus Pandemic, Section 13; Governor Pritzker’s Executive Order No. 10 Executive Order in Response to COVID-19 (COVID-19 Order No. 8).

ISSUER OF EMERGENCY ORDER 20-02: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor.

Pursuant to Section 13 of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015, I, Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor of the City of Urbana, Illinois, do hereby issue the following Emergency Order 20-02 as follows:

1. Current Urbana City Code Requirements for Ambulance Staffing and Response Time Requirements.

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2. Temporary Emergency Adjustment to Staffing Qualification Requirements.

Private ambulance companies are expected to adhere to the staffing requirements in UCC Sections 3.5-51(a) and (b) where practicable. However, the City will allow ambulances operated by private companies to be staffed at a minimum level with two EMT-Basic certified individuals while this Emergency Order No. 20-02 is in effect without incurring any fine.

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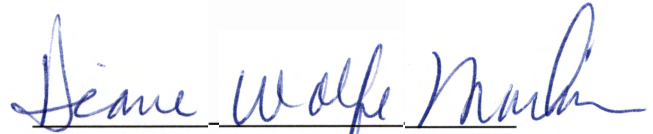
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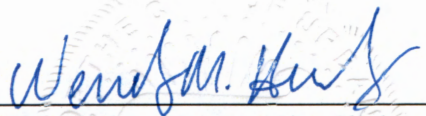
level for provided in UCC Section 3.5-60(a)(2) for any reporting period during the period when this Emergency Order No. 20-02 is in effect.

4. Continuation of UCC Ch. 3.5.

Except as provided above, all other sections of UCC Ch. 3.5 shall remain in force and effect.

DATE: 3.31.2020


Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

ATTEST: 
City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk

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Diane Wolfe Marlin
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ATTEST: *Wendy M. Hunt*
City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk



