

Health Commission Resolution No. 21-96
Fire Commission Resolution No. 96-05

**TRANSFERRING THE FUNCTION OF THE PARAMEDIC DIVISION
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH INTO
THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Health and Fire Commissions have approved an Emergency Medical Services Reconfiguration Plan, (Phase I); and,

WHEREAS, the Health and Fire Commissions directed the Health and Fire Department to develop an implementation plan for a fire-based emergency response and transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, this plan offers the residents and visitors of San Francisco a faster and more coordinated response to emergency medical calls, multi-casualty incidents, and disasters; and,

WHEREAS, this plan increases field supervision, medical oversight, training opportunities and quality improvement activities for emergency medical services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Health and Fire Commissions support the recommendations of the Phase II Implementation Plan for a fire-based emergency response and transportation system; and, be it

RESOLVED, that the Health and Fire Commissions support a transfer of paramedic function from the Health Department to the Fire Department; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health and Fire Commissions support a paramedic training academy for the cross-training of firefighters as paramedics; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health and Fire Commissions support the proposed administrative structure for the delivery of emergency medical services, the creation of two new employee classifications, Fire Rescue Paramedic and Firefighter Paramedic; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Departments work with the City Attorney's Office to ensure that all changes are appropriate in light of the current Consent Decree case, U.S. vs. City and County of San Francisco, No. C84-7089 MHP (May 20, 1988); and, be it

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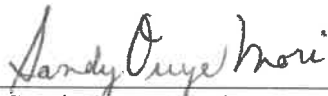
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FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Departments work with the City Attorney's Office and the Employee Relations Division of Human Resources to ensure that all changes be implemented consistent with Civil Service Commission rules and collective bargaining contracts and that any changes which impact wages, hours, or terms of employment within the scope of representation are handled appropriately through meet and confer procedures with the Unions involved; and, be it

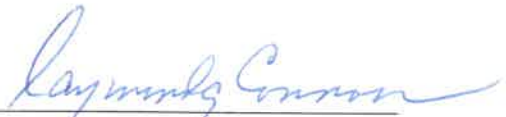
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Steering Committee continue to function as a transition team and bring regular program reports to the Health and Fire Commission; and, finally, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health and Fire Commissions direct the Steering Committee to provide a status report and update on the unresolved issues at a Joint Commission meeting before the end of 1996.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted by the Health Commission and the Fire Commission at a Joint Commission Meeting on Tuesday, October 1, 1996.



Sandy Ouye Mori
Executive Secretary to
the Health Commission



Raymond G. Connors
Secretary,
Fire Commission