

Introduced by: Council Present

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PURCHASE A USED E-350 AMBULANCE FROM THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS (THE COUNCIL FIND THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS AND DECLARES THAT PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE IS NECESSARY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY.)**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY, MISSOURI, as follows:**

- Section 1.** The City Council of the City of Berkeley hereby authorize the City to purchase a used 2017 Ford E-350 Ambulance for \$114,000 from the City of Valley Falls, Kansas.
- Section 2.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.
- Section 3.** This Council does hereby find and declare that an emergency exists, which requires the immediate passage of this ordinance for the preservation of the welfare of the citizens of the City of Berkeley.

1st Reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023  
2nd Reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023  
3rd Reading, PASSED and APPROVED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023

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Babatunde Deinbo, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deanna L. Jones, City Clerk

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Approved as to Form:  
Donnell Smith, City Attorney

Final Roll Call:			
Councilwoman Verges	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Councilwoman Williams	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Councilman Hoskins	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Councilwoman Anthony	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Councilman Hindeleh	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Councilwoman-at-Large Crawford-Graham	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___
Mayor Deinbo	Aye ___	Nay ___	Absent ___ Abstain ___

# MEMORANDUM



**TO:** Honorable Mayor Babatunde Dienbo &  
Honorable City Council Members

**THRU:** Nathan Mai-Lombardo, City Manager

**FROM:** Chief James Linhardt, Berkeley Fire Department

**DATE:** December 29, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Purchase of used ambulance for reserve status

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**Recommendation:** The Fire Department is requesting permission to purchase a 2017 Ford E-350 Ambulance (for \$114,000) to have an additional reserve ambulance in case of any need that may arise when either the front line or back up ambulance is out of service.

**Background:** The Fire Department currently runs the primary ambulance out of House #1 and our backup out of House #2. The backup ambulance responds when the House #1 ambulance is running a call. In the last 4 months our back up ambulance has been out of service from an accident and also mechanical issues. When either ambulance is out, we have to use Christain EMS to respond into Berkeley and do our transporting. This is at a cost to the city as we have to pay for their service. From 9-29-22 through 11-16-22 because of 3697 being out of service for an accident, Christian EMS filled in 62 times. This is approximately \$86,800.00 in lost revenue and fees paid to them for that timeframe. 3697 has also been out for a blown transmission from 12-11-22 till the present. Christian EMS has filled in 53 times. This was a potential loss of revenue and fees paid for a total of \$74,000.00. The total for both of the timeframes listed could be approximately \$161,000.00. This is not only a loss of City revenue and fees paid. This is a loss of service to the residents of The City of Berkeley. Our main goal is service to the residents but we also have to understand the hardship to the city monetarily.

**Supporting Info:** Myself along with Administrative Captain Hurtado and Mechanic Andrew Chisolm went on 12/28/22 to Valley Falls Kansas and inspected the ambulance thoroughly for any major mechanical issues with nothing found.

**Potential Objection:** None foreseen

**Staff Reference:** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (314) 400.3600 or email [Linhardt@ci.berkeley.mo.us](mailto:Linhardt@ci.berkeley.mo.us)