ORDINANCE NO. 2585

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF AMBULANCES AND REGULATING THEIR OPERATION IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, OREGON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, OREGON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS: Section 1: DEFINITIONS: Unless otherwise expressly stated, whenever used In this Ordinance the following words shall have the meaning given to them by this section:

- a. "Ambulance" shall mean a vehicle used for the transportation of the sick, injured, infirmed, or convalescence, either as an emergency vehicle or invalid coach service.
- b. "Street" shall mean any street, alley, avenue, court, bridge, lane or public place in the City of Albany, Oregon.
- c. "Person" shall mean one or more persons of either sex, natural persons, corporations, partnerships and associations.
- d. "City" shall mean the City of Albany, Oregon.
- e. "Council" shall mean the Council of the City of Albany, Oregon.
- f. "Contractor" shall mean any person owning, having control of the use or engaged in the business of operating an ambulance within the City.
- g. "Attendant" shall mean a person who is qualified to render first-aid.
- h. "Driver" shall mean the person who drives an ambulance.
- i. The same person, if qualified, may hold any two or all three designations, Contractor, Attendant or Driver.

Section 2: CONTRACTS FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE:

- Every Contractor, before operating an ambulance within the City, must first enter into a contract with the City agreeing to provide ambulance service under the following minimum terms and conditions:
 - 1. Have two vehicles available for ambulance service twenty-four hours a day.
 - (a) The ambulances shall be provided with a rolling litter that will anchor to the floor and two folding litters.

 (b) Ambulances shall be roomy and well con-

 - structed, and in good repair, and may be inspected by the City at any time.

 (c) The ambulances shall be equipped with a siren of a type approved by the Secretary of State as provided in 483.446 ORS., and with fishing red lights visible from both front
 - and rear.

 (i) The above equipment shall only be used while on an emer-
 - gency run. (d) One ambulance shall be equipped with oxygen equipment capable of delivering oxygen to two people simultaneously, and supply enough for one person for an eight hour period.
 - 2. Have two attendants available on call at all times who are certified by the Red Cross as having successfully passed the emergency first-aid training requirements, or who have equivalent training satisfactory to the City.
 - 3. Maintain both property damage and personal liability insurance for the benefit of third persons in the sum of \$5,000.00 for property damage, \$20,000.00 for any one person, or \$40,000.00 for any one accident.
 - 4. Furnish a bond to the city in the sum of \$2,000.00 to assure faithful performance on the part of the con-tractor. This will be an indemnity bond payable to the City in the amount of the loss incurred for reason of the contractor failing to fulfill the terms of his contract.

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- 5. The Contract shall not be assignable without consent of the Council.
- 6. The term of the Contract will be for the period of 5 years, and the Contractor shall agree to furnish ambulance services for that period.
- b. The Contract would not be exclusive, but the Council retains the right to limit the number of contracts to assure responsible and economic ambulance service to the City.
- c. The Council retains the right to cancel the contract upon proof that the services performed are unsatisfactory.
- d. The Contractor will be required to comply with all state, federal and municipal laws and regulations governing the operation of the ambulance service as a business and the operation of the ambulance itself.
- e. The Contractor is an independent Contractor and in no way an agent of the City. Any transporting by the Contractor of a ward of the City will not obligate the City for such services.

Section 3: APPLICATION:

This ordinance shall not apply to ambulances operated from other cities traveling through the City or to non-resident transporting persons from points without to points within the City, nor to the City first-aid car.

Section 4: ATTENDANTS & DRIVERS

- a. The attendants shall be qualified to render adequate first-aid when called upon to do so.
- b. At least one attendant shall accompany the ambulance on all calls.
- c. The driver of the ambulance shall comply with all laws regulating the use and operation of ambulances.
- d. Attendants and drivers shall be neat and courteous, and shall comply with the patient's wishes as near as practicable. Neither the driver, attendant, nor the contractor shall refer a patient to any particular doctor, hospital or other person for services.

Section 5: RATES

The Council retains the right to regulate the amount to be charged by the Contractor for the services, and shall establish the same by Resolution. Section 6: PENALTIES:

Any person convicted of violating any provisions of this ordinance may be punished by a fine of \$250.00 or by imprisonment in the City Jail for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and the Council may cancel the contract if any for such violation.

Section 7: EMERGENCY

Inasmuch that there is no Ordinance now regulating the operation of ambulances within the City of Albany the immediate passage of this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, and safety of the citizens of the City of Albany, Oregon, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the Council and its approval by the Mayor of the City of Albany.

Passed by the Council: June 23, 1955 Approved by the Mayor: June 23, 1955

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