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City Council Sacramento, California FROM 5/27/63 TO 5/29/63

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Advanced Life Support (ALS) Fee Adjustment

LOCATION/COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City's Fee and Charge Report be modified relative to the Fire Department's Advanced Life Support Service. Additionally, this report requests Council approve various one-time program expenditures to be funded through the Advanced Life Support program.

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FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: May 27, 2003

SUMMARY:

This report reviews the operational and financial results of the City's Advanced Life Support (ALS) program and requests that the ALS fees be adjusted to offset the increased operational costs and the reduction in Medicare reimbursement. The fee adjustment is consistent with adopted Council ALS rate policy.

BACKGROUND:

The City Fire Department has operated an emergency advanced life support program since January 1, 1994. This system has allowed for a seamless provision of first responder emergency medical care.