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# ~~~~~ MEMORANDUM ~~~~~

**DATE:** June 8, 2023  
**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
Clerk of the Board  
**FROM:** Mouhanad Hammami, Director, Public Health Department  
**SUBJECT:** Second Reading to Repeal and Replace Chapter 5 Ambulances of the Santa Barbara County Code – June 20, 2022

On June 6, 2023 staff revised the proposed Chapter 5 ordinance amendment to change the definition on page 3, “Ambulance Service” in County Code section 5-3, striking “...in the unincorporated areas...” from the last sentence as directed by the Board and as presented on the projector at the hearing. The definition will read: “Ambulance Service” means the activity, business or service for hire, profit, or otherwise, of being prepared for, responding to requests for and/or transporting one or more persons by ambulance on or in any of the streets, roads, highways, alleys, or any public way or place in the County. “Ambulance Service” includes all organizations that provide or operate an ambulance on private property whether or not required to do so by local, state or federal law and/or regulation. “Ambulance Service” also includes the use of Non-Ambulance Response Vehicles, used to support the overall delivery of ambulance care.

The Board approved the first reading of the Chapter 5 ordinance, as updated. Attached is the updated ordinance amendment, both in clean and strike through format, for the June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, for the Second reading of the proposed amendment.

At the June 20, 2023 meeting we ask that the Board of Supervisors:

- i. Consider adoption (Second Reading) of an Ordinance repealing and replacing Chapter 5 Ambulances of the Santa Barbara County Code, as revised by the Board on June 6, 2023, to enact policies and regulations for permitting and regulating the provision of non-exclusive ambulance services within Santa Barbara County as set forth above; and
- ii. Determine that the proposed action does not constitute a “Project” within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it consists of an organizational or administrative activity of government which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Attachments:

- A. Chapter 5 Ordinance Amendment – redline
- B. Chapter 5 Ordinance Amendment – non-redline