

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF HALL

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND CHAPTER 8.20 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF HALL
COUNTY, GEORGIA REGARDING AMBULANCE SERVICES AND TRANSPORT
FEES**

WHEREAS, Hall County has developed certain regulations governing the collection of fees for ambulance and transport services found in Chapter 8.20 of the Official Code of Hall County, Georgia (the “Hall County Code”); and

WHEREAS, Section 8.20.010 of the Hall County Code defines words and phrases used in Chapter. 8.20; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.20.020 of the Hall County Code lists the fees charged by Hall County Fire Rescue (“Fire Services”) for ambulance and transport services rendered by Fire Services; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.20.030 of the Hall County Code provides that the Fire Chief shall issue invoices and collect payments for fees charged by Fire Services for ambulance and transport services; and

WHEREAS, The Fire Chief and Hall County Administration have recommended a revision of the ambulance service and transport fees to offset the costs of ambulance services, as permitted under Paragraph F of Section 8.20.020 of Chapter 8.20; and

WHEREAS, The language included in Sections 8.20.010 and 8.20.030 of Chapter 8.20 of the Hall County Code should be amended to reflect the proposed revisions and correct any typographical errors; and

WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Commissioners has the authority to adopt and codify local ordinances under O.C.G.A. § 36-80-19(b); and

WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Commissioners finds that a revision of the fees listed in Section 8.20.020 of the Hall County Code is necessary and that the proposed changes are consistent with the rates in similar jurisdictions; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Hall County that Chapter 8.20 of the Official Code of Hall County, Georgia shall be revised effective October 1, 2026, as follows:

1.

The current Section 8.20.010 (Definitions.) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new 8.20.010, which shall read as follows:

“8.20.010. – Definitions.

- A. *Advanced Life Support Level 1 (ALS1)*: Transportation by ground ambulance vehicle with medically necessary supplies and services, and either an ALS assessment by ALS personnel or the provision of at least one ALS intervention.
- B. *Advanced Life Support Level 2 Transport (ALS2)*: Extended emergency call for service. This level encompasses any time three or more medications or three doses of the same medication (excluding oxygen, IV therapy, or aspirin) are administered or any time an advanced procedure including, but not limited to any, of the following is performed:
 - 1. Endotracheal intubation;
 - 2. Manual defibrillation/cardioversion;
 - 3. Cardiac pacing;
 - 4. Central venous line;
 - 5. Chest decompression;
 - 6. Surgical airway; or
 - 7. Intraosseous line.
- C. *Basic Life Support (BLS)*: Transportation by ground ambulance vehicle with medically necessary supplies and services.
- D. *Fire chief*: "Fire chief" means the fire chief of Hall County Fire Rescue, Hall County, Georgia.”

2.

The current Section 8.20.020 (Fees.) is hereby deleted in its entirety and is hereby replaced with a new Section 8.20.020, which shall read as follows:

“8.20.020. – Fees.

The following is the schedule of fees that shall be charged by Hall County Fire Rescue for ambulance and transport services rendered by the Hall County Fire Rescue:

- A. BLS Transport.....\$950.00
- B. ALS1 Transport.....\$1,050.00
- C. ALS2 Transport.....\$1,250.00
- D. Non-transport.....\$300.00

If ALS or extended assessment/treatment services are provided; pharmaceutical administration; air transport with on-scene treatment.

- E. Mileage, per mile.....\$17.00

Mileage shall include the distance between the patient's point of pickup and the receiving facility. This charge shall be applied for both in and out of county transports.

- F. From time to time, upon the concurrent recommendation of the Hall County Administrator and the Fire Chief, the above ambulance and transport fees may be revised as deemed necessary.”

3.

The current Section 8.20.030 (Collection of fees.) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Section 8.20.030, which shall read as follows:

“8.20.030. – Collection of fees.

The Chief of Hall County Fire Rescue and Hall County Fire Rescue staff shall have the authority to issue invoices for such services as set forth in this chapter and shall collect such fees on behalf of Hall County, which shall be used to purchase equipment, training, other services and supplies for Hall County Fire Rescue.”

4.

All Resolutions, Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the terms of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

5.

The Chief of Hall County Fire Rescue and Hall County Fire Rescue staff are permitted to take the steps necessary to effectuate the updated ambulance service and transport fees.

6.

This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption, but the ordinance amendment shall not take effect until October 1, 2026.

SO RESOLVED, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
David Gibbs, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jennifer Rivera, County Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Justin Lawhon, County Attorney