AGENDA FOR THE
ENGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011
COMMUNITY ROOM
6:30 P.M.

I. **EMS Billing**
   Fire Chief Mike Pattarozzi and EMS Coordinator Steve Green will clarify Emergency Medical Service billing.

II. **2010 Supplement Fire Department Budget**
    Fire Chief Mike Pattarozzi will discuss the supplement request for overtime for 2010 Fire Department Budget.

III. **City Manager’s Choice**

IV. **City Attorney’s Choice**

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Please Note: If you have a disability and need auxiliary aids or services, please notify the City of Englewood, 303-762-2407, at least 48 hours in advance of when services are needed. Thank you.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Woodward, and City Council Members

THROUGH: Gary Sears, City Manager

FROM: Michael Pattarozzi, Fire Chief

DATE: March 29, 2011

SUBJECT: EMS Billing Clarification

Staff is seeking clarification on the maximum percentage of discount allowed for hardship requests associated with EMS Transport billing. It was presented to Council that a maximum discount of 20% be allowed. There are several options available. Either a fixed maximum percentage could be allowed, or the amount of discount could be determined by the EMS Billing Committee, with no set maximum percentage.
7-7-7: Emergency Medical Transport Fees.

A. A fee shall be charged for any person transported by the Englewood Fire Division. The fee established shall be the usual and customary charge for such service in this community. The City shall contribute a twenty percent (20%) subsidy to Englewood residents.

B. "Transport" shall mean the actual physical transport from one place in or near the City to another place by the use of transport equipment of the City of Englewood.

C. The City Manager shall cause to have promulgated in writing reasonable billing and collection procedures.

D. An ambulance billing review panel, consisting of members of the community and City staff, shall be established by the City Manager to hear appeals and protests, and to make adjustments to transport fee billings when deemed reasonable and appropriate. Said adjustments shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) reduction in any ambulance transport fees. Unless otherwise determined, failure to pay the fee established shall constitute a violation of this Section.

E. The effective date for implementation of this Section will be January 1, 1995.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Woodward, and City Council Members
THROUGH: Gary Sears, City Manager
FROM: Michael Pattarozzi, Fire Chief
DATE: March 29, 2011
SUBJECT: 2010 Fire Department Supplemental Budget Request

In 2010, the Fire Department’s budget was $7,407,551. Expenditures exceeded the budgeted amount by $18,352, or 0.25%. This overage was primarily due to the overtime required to maintain minimum staffing. Overtime was budgeted at $133,180, but final overtime expenditures were $204,952. The increase in overtime was due to having personnel on extended light duty because of injuries and illnesses, and sending two firefighters to paramedic school. For 2011 the overtime budget has been increased to $150,000, and the use of overtime is being limited to maintaining minimum staffing, supporting the SWAT Medic program, and for required certifications. The use of overtime for teaching CPR, life-safety classes, and first-aid classes has been eliminated, as has overtime for Honor Guard activities. With the exception of overtime for minimum staffing, all overtime requests must be approved by Fire Department staff.