## City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska Monday, April 6, 2015 Regular Meeting

## Item Consent4

Acknowledge the liability claim from Regional West Medical Center in the amount of \$26,179.55 for medical expenses incurred by Alejandro Paramo and forward to the City's insurance carrier.

Staff Contact: Rick Kuckkahn, City Manager



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March 20, 2015

Cindy Dickinson, CMC Scottsbluff City Clerk 2525 Circle Drive Scottsbluff, NE 69361

> RE: Alejandro Paramo

Dear Ms. Dickinson:

Enclosed please find an Affidavit for patient, Alejandro Paramo, who became a patient of Regional West Medical Center on March 19, 2014 as a result of injuries he suffered while being apprehended and arrested by the Scottsbluff Police Department for criminal activity.

If you have any questions concerning this claim, please contact the undersigned. Please advise as to when payment can be expected.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Paul E. Hofmeister

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David Griffiths, Vice-President, Finance/CFO cc: Lisa Walter, Director, Patient Financial Services Rosalie Kramer, Coordinator, Financial Operations James Ellison, Attorney at Law Howard Olsen, Attorney at Law

Member of Voluntary Hospitals of America, Jnc. (VHA)

## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEBRASKA

COUNTY OF SCOTTS BLUFF

Affiant, Lisa Walter, after being first duly sworn on her oath, deposes and states as follows:

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- 1. This Affidavit is made upon the personal knowledge of Affiant. Affiant is the Director of the Patient Financial Services Department of Regional West Medical Center ("RWMC"), a licensed Nebraska hospital located in Scottsbluff, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.
- 2. On or about March 19, 2014, patient, Alejandro Paramo ("Paramo") was brought to RWMC for medical treatment as a result of injuries he sustained while being apprehended and arrested for criminal activity by the Scottsbluff Police Department.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Paramo sustained injuries while being apprehended and arrested by the Scottsbluff Police Department.
- 4. RWMC, pursuant to the authority set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. §§47-701, 47-702, 47-703, 47-704 and 47-705, hereby requests payment from the City of Scottsbluff for the medical services provided to Paroma during his stay at RWMC on March 19-March 21, 2014. The amount due to RWMC for services for account #3529584 is \$26,179.55.
- 5. RWMC is not aware or has not discovered any applicable health insurance coverage for Paramo's billings nor is he eligible for Medicaid or Medicare coverage. Based on information supplied by Paramo to RWMC, he does not have funds or assets from which to pay the amount due RWMC. RWMC has received no payments from Paramo on the billings. At this point, RWMC is not aware of any resources or assets from which it can collect the amount due for medical services.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

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Lisa Walter

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this  $20^{4}$  day of March, 2015, by Lisa Walter, Manager, Patient Financial Services, Regional West Medical Center.

My Commission Expires:



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