

Concerns about Proposed City of East Moline Ambulance Service:

Genesis-Illini has provided quality ambulance service to East Moline residents for 35 years. Why **waste taxpayer money** on something that is already provided?

The City of East Moline was offered the opportunity to put an Ambulance at the Fire station and was turned down. Genesis-Illini Ambulance has moved some of its operation to a new site in East Moline on “Ave of the Cities” which will improve response time to the residents **with no additional cost to you**.

Moline and Rock Island have city provided ambulance service and **they lose money each year**. (Dispatch article 6/14/09).

Since East Moline is self-insured who will pay if a **malpractice lawsuit** arises with our city ambulance service? **Our tax dollars**.

Two fully equipped ambulances must be purchased under state law. (One for a spare)

Taxes now paid to Genesis-Illini for ambulance service will continue to be paid by East Moline residents even if we no longer have them as our primary ambulance service.

How many more firemen/paramedics will the city need to hire to cover ambulance service 24-7? Will one fully staffed ambulance be enough?

Additional personnel will be required to process the ambulance insurance claims.

Where will the ambulances be housed? Will existing fire stations need to be added on to or new ones built?

A non-biased, outside, independent study needs to be done. We should not have a study made by the people who are proposing the city ambulance service.

Genesis-Illini paramedics work in the Emergency room with the Doctors and Nurses while on shift. Keeping their skills sharp and receive valuable training.

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