Summary
Topics included reports from the other subcommittees; BLS funding and priorities related to status quo BLS funding, Mobile Integrated Health (MIH), and BLS allocation methodologies.

Attendees
Chair: Denis Law, City of Renton
Andy Adolfsen, Bellevue Fire
Cynthia Bradshaw, KCEMS
Seth Buchanan, Kirkland Fire
Helen Chatalas, KCEMS
Nick Claiborne, Valley RFA
Mark Correira, Snoqualmie Fire
Kevin Coughlin, KC Fire Commissioners
Adam Davis, Puget Sound RFA
Michelle Davis, Redmond Fire
Jodi Denney, Shoreline Fire
Chuck DeSmith, Renton RFA
Todd Dickerboom, Bellevue Fire
Jon Ehrenfeld, Seattle Fire
Joe Eliasen, South King Fire
James Fossos, South King Fire
Gordon Goodsell, South King Fire
Natasha Grossman, Bellevue Fire
Krystal Hackmeister, Bellevue Fire
Jason Hammond, KCEMS
Craig Hooper, Eastside Fire & Rescue
Vic Kave, City of Pacific
Melina Kuzaro, Valley RFA
Tamara Liebich-Lantz, South King Fire
Michelle Lightfoot, KCEMS
Mike Marrs, KCFD#2
Joe McGrath, Redmond Fire
Stacie Martyn, Bellevue Fire
Matthew Morris, Puget Sound RFA
John Nankervis, Shoreline Fire
Eli Pangi, Kirkland Fire
Brian Parry, Sound Cities Association
Michele Plorde, KC EMS
Tom Rea, KC Medical Program Director
John Rickert, South King Fire
Larry Rude, KC Fire Commissioners
Chris Santos, Seattle Fire
Mitch Snyder, Puget Sound RFA
Carrie Talamaivao, South King Fire/Valley RFA
Mark Thompson, KC Fire Commissioners
Jay Wittwer, Tukwila Fire
Dana Yost, Redmond Fire

Issues discussed
Report from Other Subcommittees
Note: The April 2018 Finance Subcommittee and EMS Advisory Task Force meetings have been moved out to May 2018 to enable the other subcommittees to complete additional work.
- ALS Subcommittee: Reviewing details of the unit allocation, including suggested enhancements, and baseline data for understanding projected demand.
- Regional Services Subcommittee: Reviewed status quo funding and status of current strategic initiatives.
**BLS Funding and Priorities**

**Status Quo Funding:** The Subcommittee reviewed the cost of current BLS funds projected into the 2020-2025 levy period. Calculations included MIH and other BLS-specific funds (BLS Core Services, BLS QI and Training). This framework provides one ‘bookend’ when considering total funding for BLS agencies.

**Program Priorities – MIH and Others:** The MIH advocacy group presented the background, description and benefits for supporting a regional approach to MIH in King County, and recommended financial support that would partially cover costs.

**Discussion:** There was strong support for this service at a regional level, but continued concern regarding cost impacts and what regionalization meant. The subcommittee asked the BLS Working Group to discuss this topic at its meeting on April 24, 2018 and return with recommendations.

**Total BLS Funding – Allocation Methodologies:** Although the BLS allocation has provided funding for agencies since 1979, the formula has created challenges over the years. Changes were made to address ‘hold harmless’ and a lack of adequate growth, but they have not addressed the issue that AV and calls are applied only to a portion of the BLS funds (only new funds). Basic ‘rebasing’ numbers were presented.

**Discussion:** Since rebasing would impact a select number of agencies, there was interest in mitigating this disruption. The subcommittee asked the BLS Working Group to discuss more options at its meeting on April 24, 2018 and return with recommendations.

**Next Meeting**

**May 3, 2018:** 1:00 – 3:00 pm  
Renton City Hall, Council Chambers (7th floor)  
1055 S. Grady Way in Renton

Items for discussion include further reviewing BLS allocation methodology scenarios and programs to increase system effectiveness.