



RACINE FIRE DEPARTMENT
Chief's Office: 262-635-7911

September 27, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

The Fire Chief is respectfully requesting the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Waukesha County Technical College (WCTC), to provide precepting of paramedic students at the Racine Fire Department from November 1st, 2007, through December 31st, 2008, under the same terms and conditions extended to Gateway Technical College.

This affiliation is similar to the current agreement with Gateway Technical College as approved by Resolution 6523, dated June 7th, 2005. WCTC would reimburse the fire department \$1.50 per hour for each student that is precepted, up to 250 hours per student, and the department would in turn pay \$1.00 per hour to fire department paramedics doing the precepting. This is supervised field training of the students from WCTC.

While not significant at this time, the City does generate some revenue from this program; and more importantly, many of the paramedics going through the program may ultimately apply for positions on the Racine Fire Department. This is our chance to take a look at potential employees and get feedback before we get to the employment process.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief