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## TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

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TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Lacey G. Simpson, Assistant City Manager Initials: 

DATE: March 30, 2023 File #: MGR23-168

RE: **Emergency Medical Calls and Response to the Park Avenue Temporary Home (PATH) – 628 Park Avenue**

At its meeting of March 16, 2023, the City Council received a report of emergency calls and responses to the First City Homeless Services operation in the Park Avenue Safe Shelter (PASS) at 632 Park Avenue. During a discussion of this report, Councilmember Mahtani requested a similar report for emergency medical calls to the neighboring Park Avenue Temporary Home (PATH) at 628 Park Avenue. Attached for City Council review is a transmittal memorandum from Fire Chief Rick Hines detailing the volume and type of emergency medical calls to PATH for the same period of January 1 through February 28, 2023.



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# Memorandum

TO: Delila Walsh, City Manager  
FROM: Rick Hines, Fire Chief  
DATE: March 22, 2023  
SUBJECT: Path Shelter

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Council Member Gass inquired about responses to the Path Shelter at 628 Park avenue. The total number of requests for the Ketchikan Fire Department (KFD) to respond to Path from 01/01/23 to 02/28/23 is 7.

The breakdown is as follows:

Chest Pain – 4  
Medical Alarms – 2  
Altered Mental Status – 1

The number that intoxication played a contributing factor was – 2

There is a noticeable difference between the KFD responses to 632 Park, which totaled 78 during this period. I hope this answered Council Member Gass's question concerning the differences between Path and Pass responses. If you would like any more information please let me know.