B. Procedure

1. Emergency Escorts

a. When an employee comes in contact with citizens who are ill or injured, the employee may:

   (1) Render first aid.

   (2) Call for the assistance of the fire department paramedics.

   (3) Call for an emergency ambulance service to transport the injured or ill citizen to a hospital or other medical facility.

b. If an employee is unable to determine or is in doubt about the extent or seriousness of the injury or illness, arrangements for emergency transportation shall be made immediately.

c. When an employee comes in contact with a driver using a vehicle for emergency transport of an injured or ill person, the employee may:

   (1) Advise the driver to obey all traffic laws and proceed.

   (2) Advise the driver to stop the transport while the employee arranges for emergency transportation.

d. In extreme cases where it appears to the agent that any delay may result in death to the injured or ill person, the employee may place the victim and driver in the police vehicle and transport him according to emergency (Code 3) procedures.

2. Non-Emergency Escorts

a. Police escort in non emergency situations may be provided in situations involving public officials, dignitaries, parades, oversize vehicles, demonstrations, hazardous or unusual cargo transportation, funerals, or other special events.

b. Emergency equipment shall be operated only for visibility purposes and to ensure the safety of participants and agents.

c. The escort shall be conducted at or below the posted speed limit.

d. Patrol Sector Commanders reviewing City permit applications from private escort services shall ensure the adequacy of escort plans for oversize vehicles and hazardous cargo carriers.

C. Rule
1. If the decision to transport an injured or ill person is made, the driver of the private vehicle or a passenger in the vehicle shall accompany the police agent in the police vehicle to render aid.

2. Employees of the department shall not provide emergency escorts.

3. All non-emergency police escorts shall be reviewed and approved by a sworn supervisor.