

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO EXECUTE A GROUND LEASE WITH LA HONDA-PESCADERO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ON THE PARCEL AT 350-360 BUTANO CUT OFF, PESCADERO (APN 087-053-010) TO ENABLE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF PESCADERO FIRE STATION 59 ON SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the County seeks to relocate the existing Pescadero Fire Station 59 because its current location at 1200 Pescadero Creek Road is partially within a floodplain, which has resulted in annual interior flooding, mold, and plumbing backups to the barracks building, among other issues, and seasonal flooding of the adjacent Butano Creek also impacts Pescadero Creek Road by restricting and sometimes prohibiting vehicle movement on the road; and

WHEREAS, when this flooding occurs, it also isolates Fire Station 59 from the town of Pescadero, endangering public safety by causing delays in responding to emergency calls that originate on the east side of Butano Creek, and while the roadway flooding has been improved by recent projects to mitigate it, placement of a critical piece of public safety infrastructure in the flood plain of the creek will, over the long term, likely result in the same experiences; and

WHEREAS, an extensive process of public engagement on the various options for relocating the fire station has occurred over the preceding decade, and over time and with extensive public input and community meetings, the potential for using an area of the Pescadero Middle/High School property for this purpose became the preferred alternative; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2016, the Pescadero Fire Station Steering Committee reported that a majority of its members agree with the following recommendation: “For the project described in the Measure A recommendation adopted by the Board of Supervisors on August 6, 2013, the most favorable location is the site identified as the portion of parcel D-High School, as shown on the maps distributed on November 17, 2016”; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2022, the Board of Supervisors considered and adopted an amendment to the San Mateo County Local Coastal Plan (LCP) to facilitate future construction of a replacement fire station and the extension of the boundaries of County Service Area 11 to serve the fire station and Pescadero Middle/High School; and

WHEREAS, location of the replacement fire station and the related waterline extension for County Service Area 11 (CSA-11) to 350-360 Butano Cut Off (APN 087-053-010) is a joint and coordinated effort between the County, the La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District, the State Water Resources Control Board, County Fire, and the Pescadero Community, and the site and its components are designed in a way that builds upon the efforts of the Pescadero Fire Station Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2023, the Board of Trustees of the La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District authorized its Board President, Clerk and Superintendent to execute the Ground Lease on behalf of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has now been presented with a proposed Ground Lease which provides for a 99-year lease of approximately 76,000 square feet, or 1.75 acres, of undeveloped land, in exchange for a nominal annual rent, a one-time lump sum payment of \$250,000 representing the present-day value of the fee interest,

and a contribution of \$500,000 for the purpose of the District's construction of a recreational field elsewhere on the premises of the Pescadero High School; and

WHEREAS, the actual construction of the replacement fire station 59 is still subject to several other permit approvals and authorizations, including issuance of a Coastal Development Permit;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the President of this Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Ground Lease for and on behalf of the County of San Mateo, and the Clerk of the Board shall attest the President's signature thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive or designee is authorized to execute contract amendments, options, and notifications, except if such amendments would modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by more than \$25,000 (in aggregate) and/or modify the contract term and/or services.

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