RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

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MEASURE K: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A WAIVER OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH SAMARITAN HOUSE TO PROVIDE HOMELESS SHELTER SERVICES AT THE SAFE HARBOR SHELTER FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023, FOR A TOTAL OBLIGATION AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $948,078.50

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

WHEREAS, homeless shelter services are an essential component of the County of San Mateo's homeless crisis response system, serving as key access points to assist people experiencing homelessness with returning to permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, after obtaining Board approval on June 27, 2017, by Resolution No. 075291, the County entered into an agreement with Samaritan House to provide homeless shelter services for the term of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 for a total obligation amount not to exceed $1,800,980; and

WHEREAS, through three (3) subsequent amendments, the term was extended through June 30, 2023 and funding was added for a new total obligation amount not to exceed $3,683,927; and

WHEREAS, Samaritan House provides emergency shelter, housing-focused case management, and service linkages to support individuals who are unsheltered and are in need of support in order to stabilize towards permanent housing as quickly as

possible, as well as providing inclement weather services during the San Mateo County Inclement Weather Program activations; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement between the County and Samaritan House has reached a 5-year maximum term limit and is set to expire on June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Agency (HSA) requests that the Board waive the Request for Proposals (RFP) process and execute a one-year agreement with Samaritan House to continue providing homeless shelter services, including participating in the Inclement Weather Program, at the Safe Harbor shelter; and

WHEREAS, HSA had planned to release an RFP in FY 2021-22; however, given the effects of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic to the County and to homeless service providers operating in the County, conducting an RFP during a time when providers were, and still are, responding to the impacts of the pandemic would divert provider attention from responding to the critical needs of San Mateo County's vulnerable community members; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.83.070(b) of the County Ordinance Code, the Board of Supervisors may waive the requirement of a request for proposals in any situation where the Board of Supervisors determines that the best interest of the County could be served without the necessity of requests for proposals; and

WHEREAS, HSA believes it would be in the best interest of the County to allow more time for HSA to conduct a solicitation that ensures the best outcome for the County is received; and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this Board of Supervisors for its consideration and acceptance an agreement, reference to which is hereby made for further particulars, whereby Samaritan House will provide homeless shelter services at the Safe Harbor shelter for the term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 for a total obligation amount not to exceed $948,078.50.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Human Services Agency Director or designee is authorized to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than $25,000 (in the aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

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