

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT
WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION
FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH
JUNE 30, 2027, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,882,814**

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

WHEREAS, since 1962, the County has contracted with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) to provide fire protection services in the County Service Area #1 (CSA #1) and other unincorporated areas of the County not protected by cities or fire districts; and

WHEREAS, in addition to fire and emergency medical services, CAL FIRE provides fire protection planning for new construction, fire prevention activities, and life safety inspection in the County areas; and

WHEREAS, CALFIRE also oversees the operations of three volunteer fire companies located in La Honda, Kings Mountain, and Loma Mar; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors has been presented, for its consideration and acceptance, a 2-year Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with CAL FIRE for fire protection and emergency services; and

WHEREAS, the term of the contract is from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027 for a not to exceed amount of \$39,882,814; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to maintain a Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with CAL FIRE as authorized by California Public Resources Code Section 4142 without any interruption of services; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance Code Section 2.83.050(e) allows the Board of Supervisors to waive competitive bidding requirements in any situation where the Board determines that a formal process would not be in the best interest of the County; and

WHEREAS, CAL FIRE is the only provider of the fire protection services needed by the County, and continuity in provision of these fire services is critical; and

WHEREAS, this Board has been presented with the Agreement, examined and approved it as to both form and content, and desires to enter into the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the President of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute the Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) for and on behalf of the County of San Mateo, and the Clerk of the Board shall attest the signature thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a waiver of the competitive bidding requirements for acquisition of services provided under the Agreement is granted pursuant to section 2.83.050(e) of the County's Ordinance Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive, or the County Executive's designee(s), is authorized to execute amendments to the Agreement which

modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in 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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