

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH
ECOLOGY ACTION FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO THE SAN MATEO
COUNTY GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM, INCREASING THE AMOUNT BY \$197,458
FOR A NEW NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$523,091**

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

WHEREAS, the Office of Sustainability contracted with Ecology Action in 2017 to provide services related to the San Mateo County Green Business Program, including recruitment, certification, and marketing support; and

WHEREAS, the Green Business Program is valuable because it helps small and medium local businesses minimize their environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, The Green Business Program certifies small and medium size businesses that complete a set of measures related to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, conserving energy, minimizing waste, and preventing air and water pollution, and therefore the Office of Sustainability is interested in growing the Green Business Program and expanding the diversity of businesses served; and

WHEREAS, by amending the contract to add additional funds, Ecology Action can provide a higher level of service related to coordination of the County's Green Business Program, recruitment and certification support, and marketing and outreach

activities to ensure the Green Business Program is successful, can meet rising demand, and will be more inclusive of women- and minority-owned businesses and businesses in socially vulnerable areas of the County; and

WHEREAS the time and research needed to choose new sustainable products can be a barrier for small- and medium-sized businesses, the program will provide sample kits to allow businesses to immediately test or implement changes at no cost; and

WHEREAS to increase participation and reduce barriers to participation, the Office of Sustainability intends to eliminate the fee charged to businesses, thereby making it a program that is free for all businesses to join.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Supervisors shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute an amendment to the agreement with Ecology Action for Green Business Program consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$523,091 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 Office of Sustainability or his/her designee is authorized to execute subsequent amendments 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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