

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER, OR
DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO AND THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY FOR A FIVE-
YEAR TERM BEGINNING MAY 11, 2021 REGARDING A NEW HOMELESS
SHELTER PROGRAM IN REDWOOD CITY KNOWN AS PACIFIC SHELTER**

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

WHEREAS, according to the 2019 One Day Homeless Count, there were 901 unsheltered homeless individuals living in San Mateo County including 221 in Redwood City, which is the highest number of unsheltered individuals of any city in the county; and

WHEREAS, persons experiencing homelessness are at greater risk of infection and death due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as part of the County's efforts to maximize shelter capacity, the County applied for and was awarded funding under the State's Homekey Program, which allowed local jurisdiction to apply for funding to purchase hotels with the intention of creating new shelters and permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, in December 2020, the County used this Homekey and other funding to acquire the Pacific Inn, in Redwood City, to create a new homeless shelter program to assist people experiencing homelessness ("Pacific Shelter"), with the long term goal of converting the site to affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Shelter has been in operation since March 2021 and is providing intensive services to the individuals experiencing homelessness who are residing at the shelter; and

WHEREAS, Collaboration with the City of Redwood City (the "City") and local stakeholders is key to the success of the Pacific Shelter program; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, staff seeks this Board's approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the City to set forth the parties' understanding of the Pacific Shelter program operation and rules, coordination with stakeholders, filling vacancies in the program, grounds and exterior, and potential future use of the site.

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, the City presented the MOU before its City Council, and was granted authorization to execute the MOU with the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the County Manager, or designee, is authorized and directed to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the County of San Mateo and the City of Redwood City for a five-year term, beginning May 11, 2021, regarding a new homeless shelter program in Redwood City known as Pacific Shelter.

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