## **RESOLUTION NO..**

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

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE(S), TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH TERRIS BARNES WALTERS BOIGON HEATH LESTER, INC. FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH AND CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO A POTENTIAL PARCEL TAX MEASURE ADDRESSING CLIMATE RESILIENCY, WILDFIRE RISKS, AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT TO JULY 31, 2022 AND INCREASING THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$637,000 TO \$835,000, AND GRANTING OF A WAIVER OF THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.83.050(e) OF THE SAN MATEO COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE

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

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County faces an increasing vulnerability to the risks of flooding and wildfire driven by climate change; and

WHEREAS, reducing the risks of flooding and wildfire and preparing our communities for flooding and wildfire is vital to maintain quality of life in San Mateo County; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to address the growing challenges associated with climate change, the County has been exploring additional options to fund mitigation efforts; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2021, the County executed an agreement with Terris Barnes Walters Boigon Heath Lester, Inc. ("TBWBHL") to explore options for a potential revenue measure to address climate resiliency and wildfire mitigation ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement was then amended effective July 1, 2021, to extend its term and increase the not-to-exceed-amount to \$198,000 from the initial amount of \$22,500 ("First Amendment"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to again amend the Agreement, this time to extend the term of the Agreement to July 31, 2022 and increase the not-to-exceed amount by an additional \$637,000 to \$835,000 ("Second Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, under the Second Amendment, TBWBHL will continue to advise the County on the feasibility of a potential revenue ballot measure, as well as design, plan, and implement an extensive strategic public outreach and engagement that expands awareness of the climate risks posed to San Mateo County and its residents and encourages residents to voice their opinions on which projects they believe are most critical to climate resiliency; and

WHEREAS, TBWBHL is a well-known consultant on revenue measures, having advised numerous governmental agencies throughout San Mateo County and the Bay Area, including recently advising the County of Sonoma and County of Marin on local revenue measures to fund climate change-related projects, and recently designed and implemented a countywide public engagement and awareness effort in San Mateo County, and, given this unique expertise, Board has determined that the best interests of the County would be served without the necessity of competitive bidding for acquisition of TBWBHL's services and, therefore, grants a waiver of the competitive bidding process pursuant to Section 2.83.050(e) of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED THAT the County Manager, or designee(s), is authorized and directed to execute the Second Amendment for and on behalf of the County of San Mateo to extend the term of the Agreement to July 31, 2022 and increase the maximum amount authorized to be expended under the Agreement by an additional \$637,000 to \$835,000, and the Board

grants a waiver of the competitive bidding process for acquisition of these services pursuant to Section 2.83.050(e) of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the County Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute additional amendments to the Agreement which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the 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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