

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING: A) THE PARKS DIRECTOR, OR THE PARKS DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR \$450,000 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES' (CAL OES) HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP) FOR WILDFIRE HAZARD RISK REDUCTION AT EDGEWOOD COUNTY PARK AND NATURAL PRESERVE; AND B) THE PARKS DIRECTOR, OR THE PARKS DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR \$300,000 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CAL OES' HMGP FOR WILDFIRE HAZARD RISK REDUCTION AT JUNIPERO SERRA COUNTY PARK; AND C) THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO EXECUTE CAL OES' DESIGNATION OF SUBRECIPIENT'S AGENT RESOLUTION FORM

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

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") through its Hazard Mitigation Grant Program ("HMGP") provides grant funding for eligible mitigation measures that reduce the effects of future natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, in California, these funds are administered by the Cal OES HMGP Unit; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the CZU Lightning Complex fires that burned in Northern California starting in August 2020, and the declaration of a California Statewide Emergency on August 18, 2020, the County is eligible to apply for, and is prioritized for, grant funding through the HMGP; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2020, the County Parks Department (“Department”) submitted a Notice of Interest to Cal OES for hazardous fuel reduction and wildfire risk mitigation projects within Edgewood County Park and Natural Preserve and Junipero Serra County Park; and

WHEREAS, on December 30, 2020, Cal OES notified the Department that these projects were eligible for grant funding, and invited the Department to submit a full application for consideration in the competitive award process; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects focus on hazardous fuels reduction, which involves the removal or modification of vegetative fuels proximate to buildings or structures that, if ignited, pose a significant threat to human life and property; and

WHEREAS, as required by HMGP guidelines, if the Department is awarded HMGP grant funds it will be required to provide a 25% local match for all funds received, which in the case of Edgewood County Park and Natural Preserve would involve a contribution of \$150,000 and which in the case of Junipero Serra County Park would involve a contribution of \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the local match requirement, this Board intends that the Department will rely on existing Measure K funding dedicated for fire fuel reduction efforts, as well as include sufficient funding for these projects in future budgets; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with HMGP guidelines, this Board intends that the County will submit with its applications a Cal OES Designation of a Subrecipient’s Agent

Resolution Form which is attached as Exhibit A to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

1. This Board hereby authorizes the Parks Director, or the Parks Director's designee, to submit an application for \$450,000 in grant funding from Cal OES' Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for Wildfire Hazard Risk Reduction at Edgewood County Park and Natural Preserve; and
2. This Board hereby authorizes the Parks Director, or the Parks Director's designee, to submit an application for \$300,000 in grant funding from Cal OES' Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for Wildfire Hazard Risk Reduction at Junipero Serra County Park; and
3. The President of this Board of Supervisors is further hereby authorized and directed to execute Cal OES' Designation of a Subrecipient's Agent Resolution Form, for and on behalf of the County of San Mateo.

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