

# **County of San Mateo**

# Inter-Departmental Correspondence

**Department: SHERIFF** 

**File #:** 18-842 Board Meeting Date: 9/4/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Carlos G. Bolanos, Sheriff

**Subject:** Agreement with San Mateo Fire Department

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with the San Mateo Fire Department for fire prevention services in the Sheriff's Office Homeland Security Division and Office of Emergency Services, for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, in an amount not to exceed \$321,823.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Homeland Security Division and Office of Emergency Services (HSD/OES) serves a population of over 700,000 residents. The HSD/OES coordinates activities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters and offers effective planning, training, and coordination to continually develop the mitigation, preparedness, and response and recovery capabilities for emergencies resulting from all hazards.

To meet the expectations of a safer County through effective partnerships, the Police and Fire Chiefs Associations requested a full-time Fire Battalion Chief be assigned to the Homeland Security Division.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

This is the fourth year that a department fire Battalion Chief has been assigned to the Office of Emergency Services. This position continues to offer a significant benefit to the Operational Area by assisting in planning, developing, implementing, and administering Countywide policies and programs related to emergency management; serving as a liaison to the San Mateo County Fire Chiefs as well as the San Mateo County Emergency Managers Association and other entities involved in emergency preparedness and planning efforts; assisting in developing, coordinating and leading emergency management training; participating in coordination and evaluation of emergency operations drills; assisting in making recommendations for improvement in operations and/or responses; participating in developing, updating and maintaining Emergency Management plans; reviewing policies and programs, and ensuring collaboration concurrence with local stakeholders;

and representing the Cal Fire and Municipal Fire Chiefs in grant project management, community events, and meetings.

The Battalion Chief will not be an OES full time employee. Instead the Battalion Chief will remain an employee of the participating fire department assigned to OES. Both the Fire Chiefs and Police Chiefs Associations are in full support of this partnership to enhance HSD/OES and ultimately the communities served.

The resolution and agreement have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by the coordination of the agencies within the County to ensure that the public's safety as well as that of first responders is met in a responsible and timely manner.

## **PERFORMANCE MEASURE:**

Measure	FY 2017-18 Actual	FY 2017-19 Projected
Percent of emergency incidents responded to within one hour	100	100

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The agreement with the San Mateo Fire Department is for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, in an amount not to exceed \$321,823. This agreement is funded through a combination of the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) and the OES-JPA member agencies and the County. After contribution by the participating agencies, the Net County Cost will be \$103,415.