



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT 3
File #: 22-879

Board Meeting Date: 11/15/2022

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: President Don Horsley, District 3
Subject: Reappointment to the San Mateo County Domestic Violence Council

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation for the reappointment of Cynthia Hunter to the Domestic Violence Council, representing Member-at-Large, for a first 4-year term ending December 31, 2026.

BACKGROUND:

The San Mateo County Domestic Violence Council is responsible for establishing policies to reduce and prevent domestic violence and enhance victim's services.

Members of the Domestic Violence Council evaluate, make recommendations and initiate activities regarding: current response of law enforcement, the judicial system, health care services and community resources; local government efforts to reduce domestic and family violence; public awareness and public education necessary to state and local laws; and the need for services for those who are victims of domestic and family violence. The Council develops an annual work plan and submits an annual report to the Board of Supervisors.

DISCUSSION:

Cynthia Hunter has served on the Domestic Violence Council since her partial term began in July 2019 and is being recommended for reappointment as a first full 4-year term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026.

Cynthia has spent 20 years in the field of domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy, mainly in Santa Clara County. She has developed and implemented survivor-defined, trauma-informed and gender-responsive policies and programs at the local and state level. As a resident of San Carlos, she is now committed to the Domestic Violence Council as a Member-At-Large and volunteer. Formerly, Cynthia was with the County of Santa Clara Office of Women's Policy as a Management Analyst and has also served as former Director of the Domestic Violence Advocacy Consortium of Santa Clara County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.