

January 25, 2022

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

***REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS***

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022, 9:00 AM
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, ROOM 310
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Order of Business

- A. REGULAR SESSION: Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Nathan Fletcher, Chair; Nora Vargas, Vice-Chair; Joel Anderson; Terra Lawson-Remer; Jim Desmond; also, Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

(Members of the Board of Supervisors attended the meeting via teleconference and participated in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-003, adopted January 11, 2022.)

- B. Invocation was led by Rabbi Benj Fried from Temple Emanu-El.

- C. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Becky Frost's 5th grade class at Logan Memorial Educational Campus.

- D. Presentation or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards:

Chair Nathan Fletcher presented a proclamation declaring January 25, 2022, to be Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Vice-Chair Nora Vargas presented a proclamation declaring January 2022, to be Human Trafficking Awareness Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer and Supervisor Jim Desmond presented a proclamation declaring January 25, 2022, to be Neighborhood Healthcare Day throughout the County of San Diego.

- E. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Board on any subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction but not an item on today's agenda.

- F. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of January 11, 2022.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the Regular Board of Supervisors meeting of January 11, 2022.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

- G. Consent Calendar
- H. Discussion Items
- I. Board Member Committee Updates. This is an opportunity for Members of the Board to provide informational updates on their committee assignments. No action may be taken.

NOTICE: THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ANY ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA. RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COUNTY STAFF DO NOT LIMIT ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT RELY UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BOARD LETTER AS DETERMINATIVE OF THE ACTION THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ON A PARTICULAR MATTER.

Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

Category	#	Subject
Public Safety	1.	SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE - FEASIBILITY OF PLACING ADDITIONAL HELI-HYDRANTS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY
	2.	SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NINE INCORPORATED CITIES [FUNDING SOURCES: CONTRACT REVENUE FROM THE NINE INCORPORATED CITIES AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE BUDGETED IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT]
	3.	PROBATION - REQUEST TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR COMMUNITY TRANSITION CENTER (CTC) SERVICES [FUNDING SOURCES: STATE OF CALIFORNIA, LOCAL REVENUE FUND 2011 ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY LOCAL REVENUE FUND 2011, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS SUBACCOUNT; AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
	4.	ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM: SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO NON-SERIALIZED FIREARMS, NON-SERIALIZED UNFINISHED FIREARM FRAMES AND RECEIVERS, AND SAFE STORAGE OR FIREARMS
Health and Human Services	5.	APPROVAL OF ACTIONS RELATED TO AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE COMPONENTS: SUSTAINABLE, EQUITABLE, AND LOCAL FOOD SOURCING PROGRAM AND POLICY AND COMMUNITY FOOD PRODUCTION PROJECTS [FUNDING SOURCE: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING ALLOCATED DIRECTLY TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO]

6. AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, AND APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM AND HOUSING NAVIGATORS PROGRAM AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARDS
[FUNDING SOURCE: SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUE AND REALIGNMENT; THP AND HNP ALLOCATION OF STATE GENERAL FUNDS]
7. AUTHORIZATION FOR COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS FOR TWO LIVE WELL ON WHEELS VEHICLES AND A MOBILE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY VEHICLE, AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES RELATED TO DISASTER RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS
[FUNDING SOURCE: EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY ENHANCING DETECTION EXPANSION GRANT]
8. AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) ADVOCACY SERVICES
[FUNDING SOURCES: SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUE, REALIGNMENT, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA), HOUSING AND DISABILITY ADVOCACY PROGRAM (HDAP), AND EXISTING GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
9. APPOINTMENT OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COUNCIL (CCDPC) MEMBERS, APPROVAL OF THE 2021/2025 NEEDS ASSESSEMENT REPORT AND ACCOMPANYING CHILD CARE PLAN AND APPROVAL OF THE CCDPC BY-LAWS CHANGES
10. NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM & COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT GRANTS (DISTRICT: 4)
[FUNDING SOURCES: GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE AND TRANSIT OCCUPANCY TAX]
(4 VOTES)
11. NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 3)
[FUNDING SOURCES: GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE AND TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES]
12. AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (1/25/2022 - First Reading; 2/8/2022 - Second Reading)

Financial and
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Government

	13.	AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH RELATED SERVICES [FUNDING SOURCE: COLLECTIONS FROM THE PARTICIPATING DEPARTMENTS CHARGED THROUGH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INTERNAL SERVICE FUND (ISF)]
	14.	GENERAL SERVICES - AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR VERTICAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES [FUNDING SOURCE: CHARGES TO CLIENT DEPARTMENTS THROUGH THE FACILITIES MANAGEMENT INTERNAL SERVICE FUND]
Appointments	15.	APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS
Communications Received	16.	COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED
Public Safety	17.	ADDRESSING ANTICIPATED SHORTAGES OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN THE SAN DIEGO REGION
	18.	COUNTY ACTIONS TO ENHANCE HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION AND COORDINATION
Health and Human Services	19.	RECEIVE REPORT ON THE SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY AND APPROVE ACTIONS ON SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY CAMPUS OPERATIONS [FUNDING SOURCE: SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUES, FEDERAL SHORT-DOYLE MEDICAL, REALIGNMENT AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
Financial and General Government	20.	RAISING THE BAR FOR A MORE ACCESSIBLE SAN DIEGO COUNTY: IDENTIFYING ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO FURTHER SUPPORT FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS, AND ACCESS TO PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES
Closed Session	21.	CLOSED SESSION
Public Communication	22.	PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

1. **SUBJECT: SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE - FEASIBILITY OF PLACING
ADDITIONAL HELI-HYDRANTS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

September 2021, the Rainbow Water District, North County Fire Protection District and CAL FIRE partnered to provide a Heli-Hydrant water tank to improve aerial firefighting in the region. On October 5, 2021 (4), the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to work with staff to determine the feasibility of placing additional Heli-Hydrants in San Diego County and report back to the Board of Supervisors in 120 days with potential locations, partnerships, cost analysis and implementation strategy.

Reliable and accessible water sources in close proximity to a wildfire are critical for firefighting helicopters to efficiently drop water. Unfortunately, the challenging topography and lack of water sources in much of the backcountry make it difficult to maximize the frequency of drops. On a wildland fire, the County's goal is to deliver a water drop every five minutes. Water-dropping helicopters travel approximately three air-miles every minute and require one minute to refill their tanks while hovering over a water source. Using this data, a radius of five miles was placed around known water sources where the County's five-minute goal can be met. San Diego County Fire is now working to identify the areas of greatest need in the backcountry beyond the five-mile radius of water sources to determine the feasibility of additional Heli-Hydrants in San Diego County. Several possible locations have been identified and the feasibility of placement is being considered. Additional planning and outreach will be needed to evaluate viable sites, partnerships and water sources, and grant funding opportunities.

Today's request is for the Board of Supervisors to receive an update on the feasibility of placing additional Heli-Hydrants in San Diego County.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Receive an update on the feasibility of placing additional Heli-Hydrants in San Diego County.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

More than 80 percent of the San Diego County Fire Protection District's (SDCFPD) jurisdictional area qualifies as a disadvantaged unincorporated community, based on a San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) report on the funding, administration, and performance of the former County Service Area No. 135 (now SDCFPD). San Diego County Fire continues to engage communities through the Community Risk Reduction (CRR) Division, established in 2019. The CRR Division strives to build, enhance, and maintain resilient communities within the SDCFPD's jurisdictional area through involvement with the Fire Safe Council of San Diego County, the Sunrise Powerlink Fire Mitigation Grants Program, various community outreach opportunities, and by promoting local events aimed at creating safe and livable communities to improve the health and quality of life of residents.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. There may be fiscal impacts associated with any future decisions by the Board to establish additional Heli-Hydrants in San Diego County. San Diego County Fire will seek potential opportunities for grant funding. Proposals based on the review requested by the Board will be included in future Operational Plans for San Diego County Fire. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years as a result of today's action.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

2. SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NINE INCORPORATED CITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On June 20, 2017 (3), the Board of Supervisors authorized the execution of a five-year agreement with nine incorporated cities in the County for law enforcement services provided by the Sheriff's Department for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022. The current agreement provides law enforcement services that promote public safety and community partnerships amongst the nine incorporated cities.

The proposed new contract represents a fair and balanced agreement to continue the successful relationship that has been developed between the Sheriff's Department and the nine contract cities. This is a request to approve the execution of a new five-year agreement between the County of San Diego and the nine incorporated cities in the County, for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

1. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to accept and execute, upon receipt, an agreement between the County of San Diego, through the Sheriff's Department, with nine incorporated cities in the County: Del Mar, Encinitas, Imperial Beach, Lemon Grove, Poway, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach and Vista for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027 for an estimated amount of \$635,939,188 for law enforcement services.
2. Authorize the Sheriff or designee to execute all required contract documents, including mid-year service level changes, amendments and/or revisions for the period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2027 that do not materially impact the program or funding level.

3. Waive Board Policy B-29 - Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery which requires full cost recovery for fees, grants, and revenue contracts.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Public safety encompasses more than just the enforcement of laws. The Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement services that aim to protect everyone's right to life, liberty, and security of person. Public safety includes engagement, involvement, and connection to communities. This negotiated contract supports the staffing and equipment necessary to provide the highest level of public safety service to all persons in the nine incorporated cities that contract for Sheriff's Department law enforcement services. The contracts ensure staffing to respond to calls for service, investigate crimes, assist the community, and provide related support. The department also strives for equitable outcomes in our communities, which means that the law enforcement services afford our communities a chance to lower crime and improve quality of life throughout the entire jurisdiction. Public safety is an essential component of thriving communities. The department is committed to keeping our communities safe and as crime free as possible.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will result in estimated revenue and expenses of \$635,939,188 over the term of the agreement as follows:

Year	Fiscal Year	Amount
1	2022-23	\$ 120,967,857
2	2023-24	\$ 122,177,535
3	2024-25	\$ 126,453,749
4	2025-26	\$ 130,879,630
5	2026-27	\$ 135,460,417
TOTAL		\$ 635,939,188

Funding sources include contract revenue from the nine incorporated cities and General Purpose Revenue budgeted in the Sheriff's Department. The contract revenue recovers Sheriff's Department direct and some overhead costs. Costs which counties cannot charge under Government Code Section 51350 will be funded by existing General Purpose Revenue. Subsequent year revenue will be included in future year Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Department. There will be no change in net General Fund cost. If during the term of the agreement, expenditures exceed revenues, the department will cover all costs and will not request additional funding from the Board of Supervisors. Requests from cities for service level changes may result in increased staff years during the term of the agreement. If additional staff are required to support a request from one of the nine incorporated cities, the department will return to the Board and request approval to increase staffing levels.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

3. SUBJECT: PROBATION - REQUEST TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR COMMUNITY TRANSITION CENTER (CTC) SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

In 2011, the State of California enacted Assembly Bill 109 (AB 109) that required counties to supervise certain clients leaving state prison and includes provisions for the mandatory supervision of certain clients serving prison sentences within the local county jail system. In 2011, San Diego County developed the Public Safety Realignment 2011 Implementation Plan (Plan), which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 27, 2011 (2) and amended on December 7, 2021 (2). One of the Implementation Plan's objectives was to establish a Community Transition Center (CTC) to aid in the successful community reentry of clients. On November 17, 2015 (8), the Board authorized the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation and award a contract for the Community Transition Center. The current contract is set to expire on June 30, 2022, with an option to renew for six (6) months through December 31, 2022.

The CTC is a multipurpose reentry facility that operates twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week and co-locates Probation staff and direct care service contractor staff in a collaborative approach to meet the individual needs of clients. In addition, as part of a separate contract, Behavioral Health Services co-locates contracted clinicians to provide screening to support case planning and service navigation. The CTC provides services including transportation, comprehensive screening/assessment, on-site alcohol and drug detoxification, early intervention services, short-term transitional housing, and linkage to community resources to support clients during their reintegration into the community.

This request is to authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for CTC services and award a contract for a term of one (1) year, with five (5) one year option periods and up to an additional six months if needed.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Competitive Solicitation for Community Transition Center (CTC) services and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for a term of one (1) year, with five (5) one-year option periods and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to approval of the Chief Probation Officer.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Community Transition Center (CTC) program supports a criminal justice system that is promoting success for individuals reentering the community from incarceration. Persons of color are overrepresented in the criminal justice system. Individuals who are justice-involved experience reentry barriers that impact the ability to successfully exit the justice system such as linking to treatment services, identifying employment, and finding permanent housing. The CTC is a one-stop shop for justice-involved individuals. The program is designed to screen and assess clients for needs that guide the development of case plan goals to connect individuals with supportive services.

Probation has expanded CTC services to the High-Risk Formal population. Probation staff, with the Contractor, will monitor CTC completed intakes on Mandatory Supervision and High-Risk Felony Probation clients exiting local custody, and for Post Release Community Supervision clients leaving state prison and returning to San Diego County. Performance data will include tracking race, ethnicity, gender, and geographic areas, as well as length of time at the CTC. The data will be used to monitor the number of clients taken into the Community Transition Center to ensure equitable use of community interventions and sanctions.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the request in the current fiscal year. Funds for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year 2022-24 CAO Recommended Operational Plan and future years Operational Plans for the Probation Department. If approved, this request will result in total costs for services of approximately \$3,000,000 annually. The funding source is the State of California, Local Revenue Fund 2011 allocated to the County Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount; and General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

4. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:**
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO NON-SERIALIZED FIREARMS, NON-SERIALIZED UNFINISHED FIREARM FRAMES AND RECEIVERS, AND SAFE STORAGE OR FIREARMS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On January 11, 2022 (13), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on January 25, 2022.

On October 19, 2021 (1), the Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), in consultation with County Counsel, to draft an ordinance that, unless already preempted by State law, (1) updates definitions regarding firearms as appropriate including defining “ghost guns,” precursor parts for such guns and unserialized parts and guns, (2) prohibits the possession or distribution of unserialized parts used in the creation or possession of ghost guns, (3) creates safe firearm storage standards, and (4) prohibits 3D printing of unserialized firearms or precursor parts.

The proposed updates to the County’s Code of Regulatory Ordinances (Regulatory Code) implement the Board direction from October 19, 2021 (1). The ordinance being considered today will prohibit possessing, purchasing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, offering to transfer, receiving and transporting non-serialized unfinished frames and receivers and non-serialized firearms, including those created by 3D printing, within the County of San Diego. The ordinance will also require safe storage of firearms within a residence or accessory structure, unless those firearms are within the immediate control of an authorized person.

Today’s request is for the Board of Supervisors to approve an ordinance relating to non-serialized firearms, non-serialized unfinished firearm frames and receivers, and safe storage of firearms.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt the ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 3 TO TITLE 3, DIVISION 3 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO NON-SERIALIZED FIREARMS, NON-SERIALIZED UNFINISHED FIREARM FRAMES AND RECEIVERS, AND SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed amendments to the County’s Regulatory Code seek to reduce the impact of gun violence in the unincorporated area. The proposed actions seek to increase public safety and reduce firearm violence in all communities and for all county residents, while also recognizing that countywide data shows that Black/African-American and Hispanic/Latino victims of homicide are more likely to be killed by a firearm than another weapon type.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the requested actions. There is no change to net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. Staff will return to the Board to establish additional appropriations if necessary.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10765 (N.S.), entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 3 TO TITLE 3, DIVISION 3 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO NON-SERIALIZED FIREARMS, NON-SERIALIZED UNFINISHED FIREARM FRAMES AND RECEIVERS, AND SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS.

AYES: Vargas, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher

NOES: Anderson, Desmond

5. SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF ACTIONS RELATED TO AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE COMPONENTS: SUSTAINABLE, EQUITABLE, AND LOCAL FOOD SOURCING PROGRAM AND POLICY AND COMMUNITY FOOD PRODUCTION PROJECTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On June 8, 2021 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) took critical action in advancing support to San Diego residents by approving the framework for the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Several projects were approved under the Food Assistance component of this framework including the Food System Sustainability and Equity Procurement Guidelines project, which was allocated \$1 million and the Community Gardens project which was allocated \$7 million. The Food System Sustainability and Equity Procurement Guidelines project aims to create a County of San Diego (County) policy to guide sustainable, equitable, and local food sourcing for County food services operations and also create a program to provide assessment and technical assistance around this type of food sourcing. The Community Gardens project aims to create grants to support community food production projects which can include community gardens as well as other types of community food production.

In order to operationalize these two projects, today's action requests the Board to approve the following:

- Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation or solicitations for technical assistance services to implement a sustainable, equitable, and local food sourcing program for the County.
- Authorize development of a Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Food Sourcing Policy and return to the Board at a future date for policy consideration and adoption.
- Authorize execution of an agreement with The San Diego Foundation to disseminate funds for community gardens and community food production projects.
- Authorize the transfer of \$8 million from Finance Other appropriated for the Food Assistance component of the ARPA funds, to the Health and Human Services Agency for the development and implementation of the Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Sourcing Food Program and Community Food Production Projects.

- Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support food assistance projects in San Diego County.

These projects support the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision and Framework for the Future by supporting the region's most vulnerable communities, specifically those who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, by addressing issues of food insecurity, improving nutrition, and supporting local agricultural businesses in San Diego County. These projects will maintain equity lens to ensure fiscal stewardship of County resources, use of impact data, and contracting processes that align with community priorities.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation or solicitations for technical assistance services to implement a sustainable, equitable, and local food sourcing program for the County of San Diego and, upon successful negotiations and a determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract or contracts for an initial term of one year with two one-year options, and up to six additional months if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract(s) as required to reflect changes in services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Food Sourcing Policy and return to the Board at a future date for policy consideration and adoption.
3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, upon successful negotiations, to execute an agreement with The San Diego Foundation for the purposes of disseminating funding for the Community Food Production Projects.
4. Transfer appropriations of \$8,000,000 from the Finance Other, General Miscellaneous Expense, Other Charges, appropriated for the Food Assistance component of the ARPA funds, to the Health and Human Services Agency, Services & Supplies for the development and implementation of the Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Sourcing Food Program and Community Food Production Projects.
5. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support food assistance projects in San Diego County.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego (County) serves approximately 10 million meals, at a cost of approximately \$20 million each year to vulnerable populations including youth and adults residing in public hospitals and detention facilities, seniors, foster youth, and individuals living with HIV/AIDS. As the fourth largest employer in San Diego County, the County also makes cafeterias and vending services available to more than 18,000 employees and the public. As a result, the County purchases large quantities of food and beverages daily. By centering equity and sustainability in the County's food procurement, the County has the potential to direct public funds to positively impact the food system for local food producers,

workers, and businesses owned, operated, and/or run by marginalized communities. Implementing a comprehensive, values-based food program ensures that institutional food practices, including purchasing, advances an equitable, healthy, fair, local, humane, and sustainable food system. Additionally, sustainability and equity-focused institutional food purchasing can be an immediate and long-term strategy to reduce health disparities through improving quality of food served to vulnerable and under-resourced communities.

The COVID-19 pandemic increased the number of people experiencing nutrition insecurity, especially in communities that were already experiencing higher rates of limited access to healthy foods, such as low-income communities and communities of color. According to the San Diego Hunger Coalition, as of November 2020, approximately one in three San Diegans experience nutrition insecurity or are unable to provide three nutritious meals per day for themselves and/or their families. Communities with higher rates of nutrition insecurity correspond to communities where there is a disproportionate amount of diet-related chronic health conditions. These realities are examples of the reasons why the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted a resolution on January 12, 2021 (8) that acknowledges racism as a public health crisis. Disparities in access to healthy food and nutrition security are linked to practices of redlining in San Diego County. Redlining is the discriminatory practice of denying services (typically financial) to residents of certain areas based on their race or ethnicity. Through the Community Food Production Projects funds dissemination, the County is working toward reducing nutrition insecurity and chronic disease in San Diego County. According to the County Health Rankings and Roadmaps, there is evidence that community gardens in general improve access to and consumption of fruits and vegetables, as well as increased physical activity. Additionally, they have the potential to increase food security, reduce obesity, and improve mental health and social connectedness. There is both quantitative and qualitative data to support the value of community-led food production.

As part of stakeholder engagement on this project, staff have gone on a variety of community visits, including visits to planned and existing community garden sites and meetings and presentations with organizations working on community food production projects, to assess existing needs and resources. Additionally, information about the funding opportunity has been shared at various community meetings, including at the San Diego Food System Alliance's Stewardship Committee and the Childhood Obesity Initiative's Community Domain. A communications plan will also be developed to ensure information is shared broadly about this funding opportunity, including in multiple languages, prioritizing local food producers, workers, and business owned, operated, and/or run by marginalized communities.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-23 County of San Diego Operational Plan. If approved, today's recommendation will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$8,000,000 from Fiscal Year 2021-22 through Fiscal Year 2024-25. This includes \$1,000,000 for the development and implementation of Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Sourcing Food Program and \$7,000,000 for the Community Food Production Projects. The funding source for this request is the American Rescue Plan Act funding allocated directly to the County of San Diego. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorized the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation or solicitations for technical assistance services to implement a sustainable, equitable, and local food sourcing program that is values-based and data-driven and includes elevated labor standards, organic or regenerative certification, low-carbon intensity, and nutritional co-benefit for the County of San Diego and, upon successful negotiations and a determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract or contracts for an initial term of one year with two one-year options, and up to six additional months if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract(s) as required to reflect changes in services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
2. Authorized the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Food Sourcing Policy and a related economic analysis and return to the Board within 180 days for policy consideration and adoption. The policy shall connect Health and Human Services efforts with County operations for climate sustainability planning.
3. Authorized the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, upon successful negotiations, to execute an agreement with The San Diego Foundation for the purposes of disseminating funding for the Community Food Production Projects.
4. Transferred appropriations of \$8,000,000 from the Finance Other, General Miscellaneous Expense, Other Charges, appropriated for the Food Assistance component of the ARPA funds, to the Health and Human Services Agency, Services & Supplies for the development and implementation of the Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Sourcing Food Program and Community Food Production Projects.
5. Authorized the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support food assistance projects in San Diego County.
6. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to provide an annual update to the Board of Supervisors on the broader efforts around community gardens and food sustainability.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

6. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, AND APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM AND HOUSING NAVIGATORS PROGRAM AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARDS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

California Assembly Bill (AB) 427 was signed into law in 2001 and established the Transitional Housing Program (THP)-Plus to end homelessness for emancipated youth involved in child welfare services and the juvenile justice systems. The program provides affordable housing and supportive services to former foster care youth and out-of-home youth on probation, ages 18 to 24 years for up to 24 months as they transition out of care. On September 30, 2010, AB 12 was signed into law and took effect on January 1, 2012. AB 12 created California's Extended Foster Care (EFC) Program, which allows eligible youth in the child welfare and probation systems to remain in foster care until age 21. To provide additional placement options for non-minor dependents (NMD), AB 12 created the THP for NMD (THP-NMD) to serve youth ages 18 to 21 years participating in EFC. As a result of AB 12, over 90% of San Diego County youth opt into EFC, providing them with more support with education, work readiness, transitional housing, and supportive services. More recently, in Fiscal Year 2018-19, the Housing Navigators Program (HNP) administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development to county child welfare agencies was created to provide housing navigator supports to help young adults ages 18 through 21 secure housing, with priority given to foster youth. HNP is flexible funding that can be used to meet youth housing navigation needs. HNP was previously funded with a one-time allocation in Fiscal Year 2018-19, and will now be funded annually, effective July 1, 2021.

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services (CWS) THP provides up to 36 cumulative months of subsidized housing for current and former foster youth ages 18-24 years. In 2008, through contracts with nonprofit entities, CWS implemented the THP-Plus program and expanded services in 2014 to include THP-NMD to improve outcomes for youth entering adulthood from the foster care system and avoid homelessness. Today's actions request the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to authorize a competitive solicitation for the THP and authorize the application for and acceptance of funding for the THP and HNP and adopt resolutions authorizing application and acceptance of allocation awards. These recommended actions will continue efforts to enhance equitable access to safe and affordable housing for current and former foster youth and maximize racially equitable community outcomes and prevent youth homelessness.

This action supports the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision and the Framework for Ending Homelessness by ensuring fiscal management and contracting processes align with community priorities, alignment with the continuum of opportunities to end homelessness to include supporting diversion and mitigation efforts and enhancing the coordination of upstream prevention strategies and services between community resources and the child welfare system to ensure transitional age youth receive services and supports to secure and maintain a safe environment, advancing their goal of self-sufficiency and preventing homelessness.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for the Transitional Housing Program, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an Initial Term of up to one (1) year, with four (4) one-year Option Periods, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contracts to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
2. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$480,000 in Transitional Housing Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development for the anticipated funding period of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 to reduce youth homelessness and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.
3. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$212,565 in Housing Navigators Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development, for the anticipated funding period of FY 2021-22 to help youth secure and maintain housing, and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.
4. Adopt resolutions listed below.
 - a. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM.
 - b. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE HOUSING NAVIGATORS PROGRAM.
5. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for any additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support transitional housing for youth and support youth secure and maintain housing and avoid homelessness.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services (CWS) Transitional Housing Program (THP) provides up to 36 cumulative months of subsidized housing for current and former foster youth ages 18-24 years. In Fiscal Year 2020-21, 475 youth were served under the THP and 94% maintained stable housing over the course of the fiscal year. Due to the high rate of stability in these programs, in any given month there are approximately 300 unduplicated youth participating in the THP. The goal of the THP is for participants and subgroups within, to include Black, Indigenous, People of Color, Native Spanish speakers, and LGBTQ, to secure safe and stable housing by program graduation and make progress towards life goals, including educational attainment or

employment achievement, physical and mental wellbeing, and connections to community. The ethnicity breakdown for the 475-youth served under the THP in Fiscal Year 2020-21 includes:

- 32% African American
- 3% Asian
- 17% Caucasian
- 39% Hispanic
- 2% Native American
- 7% Other Ethnicities/Unknown

To maximize racially equitable community outcomes, CWS partners with nonprofit entities to provide housing opportunities and services in the six County regions to ensure youth in underserved communities, communities of color, and communities with increased barriers to housing have greater opportunities and access to safe and affordable housing. Surveys are completed quarterly by participating youth, which identify areas within the program that are both beneficial and need improvement to all youth in the program. The surveys also inform about the effectiveness of the program service delivery via an equity lens to ensure that the priority population and subgroup of youth most disadvantaged are involved in evaluations measuring satisfaction with equitable service delivery and programming.

CWS continues to engage with program participants and providers to collect data and evaluate service outcomes to ensure the array of THP services and resources support positive outcomes for youth transitioning to adulthood and help youth maintain safe and stable housing.

FISCAL IMPACT

Recommendation #1: Authorization to Issue Competitive Solicitation for the Transitional Housing Program

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-23 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$5,900,000 starting in Fiscal Year 2023-24. The funding sources are Social Services Administrative Revenue and Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Recommendations 2 and 3: Authorization to apply for and accept Transitional Housing Program (THP) Funds and Housing Navigators Program (HNP) Funds

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-23 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$480,000 for the Transitional Housing Program (THP) and \$212,565 for the Housing Navigator Program (HNP), for a total of \$692,565 in Fiscal Year 2021-22, which will be covered by existing appropriations. The funding source is THP and HNP allocation of State General Funds. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 22-005, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM; and, Resolution No. 22-006, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE HOUSING NAVIGATORS PROGRAM.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

7. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS FOR TWO LIVE WELL ON WHEELS VEHICLES AND A MOBILE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY VEHICLE, AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES RELATED TO DISASTER RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

In 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted the *Live Well San Diego* vision of a region that is Building Better Health, Living Safely and Thriving. As part of this vision, the County of San Diego (County) has made a collective effort with over 500 recognized *Live Well San Diego* community partners to help all 3.3 million San Diego County residents live well and thrive. These efforts include the establishment of five Live Well Centers across San Diego County, plus, a sixth center anticipated in Southeastern San Diego.

In addition to the Live Well Centers, the County outfitted the *Live Well San Diego* Live Well on Wheels (WoW) Mobile Office bus to provide direct access to a variety of health and community services to San Diego County residents where those services are most needed. The current Live WoW bus is equipped with a private consultation room, workstations, refrigerators, internal and external TVs, wheelchair lift, ADA compliant bathroom, tables, chairs, pop up tents, and Wi-Fi for a variety of community events, services, and response activities. The current Live WoW Mobile Office assisted 22,784 individual San Diego County residents and was utilized for 233 activities and/or events during 2021.

As part of the County's effort to reach all San Diego County residents, today's action, if approved, would authorize the procurement of two additional Live WoW vehicles and a mobile Public Health Laboratory vehicle. These vehicles will expand the County's abilities to provide countywide disaster response, public assistance, outreach, veterans' services, public health services, behavioral health services, housing services, aging services, homeless services, and training. Additionally, these new vehicles will include equipment and dedicated space, allowing for preventive dental screenings, testing for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, blood draws, and specimen collection. Providing these additional public health services in a mobile capacity will further enhance the County's presence at scheduled events countywide, as well as quickly deploying to areas in need, ranging from neighborhood street fairs in underserved areas to crisis management for disaster events.

Today's actions request the Board to authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue Competitive Solicitations for two Live WoW vehicles and one mobile Public Health Laboratory vehicle, and would authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency to apply for additional funding opportunities, if available, to support disaster recovery services, including necessary equipment, parts, training, tools, test equipment, warranties and services from authorized vendors and maintain the vehicles as part of the County's fleet.

Today's proposed actions support the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by providing more residents the ability to receive more accessible and much needed resources and services, ultimately providing our region's residents with additional opportunities to connect, increase their health status, and thrive.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue Competitive Solicitations for two Live Well on Wheels vehicles and a mobile Public Health Laboratory vehicle, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract/s for a term of one year and up to an additional six months if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract/s as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.
2. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for additional funding opportunities, if available, to support disaster recovery services, including necessary equipment, parts, training, tools, test equipment, warranties and services from authorized vendors and maintain the vehicles as part of the County's fleet.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Existing barriers continue to prevent San Diego County's most vulnerable communities from accessing resources needed to thrive. These additional Live Well on Wheels vehicles and the Mobile Public Health Laboratory vehicle will help the County further provide services and resources to communities with the most need. Existing barriers, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic, have had a significant impact on the lives of individuals, businesses, and communities across the county. In order to support the most vulnerable, an equity lens was used to prioritize, when appropriate, the distribution of services and response activities, as well as recovery-related federal, State, and local funding and resources based on a data-driven approach, identifying communities that have the highest need for support in relation to the community needs. Today's actions will provide the mechanisms to overcome traditional barriers to provide resources, outreach, and education, ensuring a positive impact on the lives of people of color, women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, the LGBTQ community, and the economically disadvantaged.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2023 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$2,025,000 in Fiscal Year 2021-22. The funding source is the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion Grant. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

8. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) ADVOCACY SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) provides Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Advocacy Services to assist SSI eligible applicants and recipients in the County funded General Relief (GR) program and in the State funded Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), as well as to children and adults with serious mental illness to obtain federally funded SSI benefits. This results in cost avoidance and cost recovery of County and State funds. Additionally, the SSI Advocacy Services program provides training and consultation to Behavioral Health Services Clubhouse advocates and the Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) long term disability advocacy, thus extending SSI Advocacy Services to behavioral health consumers as well as disabled individuals who are experiencing homelessness.

The County has been providing SSI Advocacy Services since 1989. Currently, services are provided through a contract that resulted from a competitive procurement process authorized by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) on December 15, 2015 (7). The current contract will expire on June 30, 2022.

Today's action requests approval from the Board to conduct a competitive procurement to continue SSI Advocacy Services. This item supports the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by promoting the well-being of adults and seniors, who receive a higher level of benefits from SSI than from GR or CAPI. This action also supports the Framework for Ending Homelessness and aligns with its strategic domains by improving access to critical resources and supportive services that can help provide the stability individuals at-risk or experiencing homelessness need in order to overcome barriers and become self-sufficient.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Advocacy Services, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of one year, with four one -year options and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

These actions advance the San Diego County Board of Supervisors' commitment to supporting the most vulnerable residents in San Diego County. It is anticipated that today's action will have a positive impact on equity-seeking groups including Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC), women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, and the LGBTQ community by removing barriers to disability benefit eligibility and increasing access to economic resources. Individuals with disabilities often struggle disproportionately with social and economic impacts which can contribute to inequitable distribution of resources. SSI Advocacy Services provided by the County of San Diego (County) through this contracted program address these inequities and the cultural needs of a diverse population. To continue the County's commitment to helping our most vulnerable populations, today's action provides a mechanism to further support residents who are economically disadvantaged and experiencing homelessness.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-23 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in approximate costs and revenue of \$1,700,000 annually beginning in Fiscal Year 2022-23. The funding sources are Social Services Administrative Revenue, Realignment, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP), and existing General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

9. **SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COUNCIL (CCDPC) MEMBERS, APPROVAL OF THE 2021/2025 NEEDS ASSESSEMENT REPORT AND ACCOMPANYING CHILD CARE PLAN AND APPROVAL OF THE CCDPC BY-LAWS CHANGES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Child Care and Development Planning Council (CCDPC) is advisory to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) and the County Superintendent of Schools, in order to advise the State on local childcare needs and development issues. The CCDPC is a statutory body for all counties per State law.

Board action is requested to approve the following items:

- Approve the routine annual appointments and reappointments to the CCDPC and approve the CCDPC Membership Roster for 2022.

- Approve the State required Child Care Needs Assessment for San Diego County 2021 - 2025 (Needs Assessment) required to be conducted every five years as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code Section 10486, along with the accompanying Child Care Plan created by the CCDPC.
- Approve the amendments to the CCDPC By-Laws (By-Laws).

Concurrent confirmation of the proposed membership and approval of the membership roster was received from the County Superintendent of Schools on October 25, 2021. The Needs Assessment and Child Care Plan were submitted to County Superintendent of Schools and approved on October 26, 2021. Concurrent approval of the Needs Assessment and By-Law changes will be requested from the County Superintendent of Schools upon approval by the Board.

Today's actions support the countywide *Live Well San Diego* vision by continuing services that assist San Diego County families with their childcare needs and improving access to quality childcare and early education programs, which promote a healthy, safe, and thriving region.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Appoint 13 new members to the San Diego County Child Care and Development Planning Council (CCDPC) to serve a two-year term to expire December 31, 2023 and reappoint 9 members to the CCDPC whose terms are ending on December 31, 2021 to serve another two-year term to expire December 31, 2023 as identified in Attachment B.
2. Approve the CCDPC Membership Roster for 2022 and authorize the Clerk of the Board to certify the membership composition as required by the California Department of Social Services (Attachment A and Attachment B).
3. Approve the CCDPC Needs Assessment Report for 2021 to 2025 and the accompanying Child Care Plan (Attachment C and Attachment D).
4. Approve conforming amendments to the San Diego County CCDPC By-Laws (Attachment F).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions present recommendations to approve the San Diego County Child Care and Development Planning Council (CCDPC) membership for 2022 and to accept the Child Care Needs Assessment for San Diego County 2021 - 2025 (Needs Assessment) and Child Care Plan which inform the State of San Diego County's childcare needs and recommendations from the CCDPC.

The CCDPC membership roster recommendations are made with a good faith effort to appoint members ensuring that the ethnic, racial, and geographic composition of the County CCDPC is reflective of the population of the county. The membership roster for the 2022 year will be comprised of 16% Black or African American, 36% Hispanic or Latinx, 8% Asian or Pacific Islander, 44% white (non-Hispanic), 4% Native American or Alaskan Native and 4% Other (Middle Eastern). This demographic closely resembles the demographics of San Diego County (Attachment B).

In developing the Needs Assessment and Child Care Plan, the CCDPC evaluated the needs of San Diego County residents in all communities with an equity lens to ensure the needs of all San Diego County residents are taken into consideration regardless of their race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender identity and/or sexual orientation. The Needs Assessment provides data on race/ethnicity, language needs, special education needs, protective services involvement, working families, income, and migrant families as well as access to care for all residents. It highlights that there are approximately 132,599 children between the ages of zero to five in San Diego County with approximately 120,446 of those children being part of a migrant family.

The Child Care Plan provides recommendations gathered through community engagement solicited during the CCDPC monthly meetings. Meeting times alternated between morning and evening to better accommodate working parents, childcare providers, and other community partners. Outreach was also conducted in the community by members of the CCDPC with emphasis on engaging areas of the community with the highest need. Outreach is conducted throughout the year with a strong emphasis in March through May to solicit new members. It is anticipated that the recommended actions will have a positive impact to areas of the county deemed as childcare deserts.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

10. SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM & COMMUNITY ENHACENMENT GRANTS (DISTRICT: 4)

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER

1. Allocate \$25,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego Food System Alliance to help support salary and benefits for the Network Organizing Capacity which will facilitate a diverse and inclusive network to move San Diego County Food Vision 2030 forward, building relationships and trust within impacted BIPOC communities.

2. Allocate \$51,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Pillars of the Community to help support the cost of producing, travel and director's salary of their documentary following the history of gangs in San Diego County.
3. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the City Heights Community Development Corporation to support Mid-City Homeless Outreach which aims to address unsheltered homelessness in the North Park and City Heights neighborhoods.
4. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego Habitat for Humanity, Inc. to cover the costs associated with the Homeowner Relations Department and to cover costs associated with the Kearny Mesa ReStore Operational support to provide the opportunity to upcycle used goods, and serving the general public in District 4.
5. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Think Dignity to help increase access to Fresh Start Showers, Street Boutique, and to Street Café.
6. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the California Lawyers for the Arts, Incorporated to cover the cost of implementing the Designing Creative Futures Program which will give previously incarcerated individuals paid internships with collaborating arts organizations in San Diego.
7. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego Council on Literacy to help support a More Literate San Diego which enhances the state of literacy in the region by addressing local literacy priorities.
8. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the TranscendANCE Youth Arts Project to help cover a portion of the staff salaries and a portion of the Connect Program costs consisting of year-round classes for youth, field trips to cultural institutions, special workshops, and outreach performances throughout San Diego County.
9. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the New Entra Casa Corporation to cover the cost of the perinatal program which provides comprehensive education and counseling services to address the underlying causes of addiction for pregnant and parenting women to support family stability, health, and well-being.
10. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego Hunger Coalition to help increase access to CalFresh, Hunger Free Kids, and Hunger Free Navigator Program to ensure equitable access to nutrition.
11. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the MANA de San Diego to help support the Hermanitas Youth Mentorship and Leadership, Tias Program, and the Latina Success Leadership Program.

12. Allocate \$3,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the United Way of San Diego County to pay the cost of upgrading the San Diego shortfall simulator and to cover the cost of the Board Service Certification Scholarships.
13. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Mingei International, Inc. to help support the Community Mondays Sharing Space, a program which will increase access to the Museum and serving diverse communities.
14. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory to cover one-time technology upgrades such as acquisition of digital asset management and adobe acrobat systems, and printed and advertising material to effectively and efficiently support the students served across San Diego.
15. Allocate \$9,179 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Interfaith Shelter Network of San Diego to cover the cost the El Nido DV Transitional Housing Program consisting of acquisition of twin mattresses and Bunkie boards, twin-over-full bunk set, refrigerator, and the cost of other furnishings.
16. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Fern Street Community Arts, Inc. to cover the cost of further developing its Outdoor Circus Community Center in preparation for summer 2022 after-school circus. The items include: two 20'X20' peaked roof awnings, two 19'x20' wooden floors, two DG pathways, two 3-row, 15'wide tip and roll bleachers, lighting and locks, and murals painted on a 24' storage container.
17. Allocate \$3,771 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the Council on American Islamic Relations, California to cover the cost of tangible items to conduct multiple, ongoing resource fairs in San Diego County. The items include: display port to HDMI adapter, canon EOS Rebel camera, folding chairs, folding tables, portable projector, tripod, canopies, portable battery loudspeaker, laptop, and iPad.
18. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Three Treasures Cultural Arts Society, Inc. to cover the cost of passenger vehicles to transport students from Barnard Elementary School to the Cultural Center and to cover the cost of upgrading the onsite technology.
19. Allocate \$24,763 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Monarch School Project to support the cost of installation of professional lighting in the Center for Arts to provide their students and the community with a fully functioning theater for live dance, music and theatrical performances.
20. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the Blue Heart Foundation to help cover the cost of completing the build-out of their space which will house a STEM lab, tutoring space, and a mindfulness room where youth will participate in workshops and activities designed to teach mindfulness and self-care.

21. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the Children's Initiative cover the cost of upgrading support such as internal technology systems including hardware, software, security, and to cover the cost of obtaining supplies focused on STEM for enrichment activities for underserved youth in the education system.
22. Allocate \$13,686 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Pro Kids Golf Academy, Inc. to cover the cost of adding lights to increase visibility, safety, and security, the cost of enhancing existing security camera footage, deter vandalism, and putting green at Colina Park Golf Course, and to cover the cost of the Window Project which will allow for increased airflow throughout the building and security.
23. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center cover the cost of updating the HVAC system which will increase healthy improvements to the delivery of air in the main building.
24. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Habitat for Humanity to help fund the purchase of a construction pickup truck that will be used to help transport construction materials and crew members safely and efficiently to its New Home Construction and Neighborhood Revitalization sites.
25. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego African American Museum of Fine Art, Inc. to support the construction of "The Busses are Coming" photo exhibit, including acquisition of printed materials for display and marketing.
26. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Fire Rescue Foundation to support the youth development and recruiting programs for the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department, by funding acquisition of marketing materials, promotional brochures, flyers and other print or media items, personal protective gear, and various program supplies or equipment such as paper, pens, and printer materials and printers, and flyers for the San Diego Fire-Department's community education and outreach program to help residents better prepare for wildfires.
27. Allocate \$22,300 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Voices for Children for the one-time cost of purchasing laptop computers, monitors, docking stations, and monitor stands, and other equipment that will equip staff to work in a hybrid work environment for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program.
28. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to California Lawyers for the Arts, Incorporated to help support the Designing Creative Future for the cost of laptop computers and necessary software for all ten participants, and three laptop computers for staff.

29. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Hunger Coalition to help fund the Hunger Free San Diego data warehouse and website, including: build out of relational database using data analysis to house the hunger relief sector's data and automate reports for providers, elected officials, philanthropy and the public; and creation of interactive maps and data portal on SDHC website with ability for user to access data on-demand and to generate and print custom maps and reports data dashboards on each zip code within District 4.
30. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Partnership for a Better San Diego to help pay a portion of the cost of food and toys for the Annual Food and Toy Drive which provides 500 families from San Diego a full holiday meal kit including a turkey and a toy for each child in the household.
31. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Mandate Project Impact, Inc. to cover the cost of editing computer and film gear to enable state of the art training and excellence in project completion by next generation entertainment industry professionals.
32. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Art Institute to help pay for a new vehicle that will allow the team to reach deserving students across San Diego County and share the benefits of arts education
33. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Friends of We Chinese in America to help cover the cost of acquiring 20 books detailing the contributions of the Chinese community in San Diego.
34. Establish appropriations of \$46,027 in the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) based on the return of unused funds from prior year allocations so they can be allocated to other projects. **(4 VOTES)**
35. Find that these grants have a public purpose.
36. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to execute grant agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grants.
37. Find that the allocations to Fern Street Community Arts, Inc., Monarch School Project, Blue Heart Foundation, Pro Kids Golf Academy, and San Diego Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize that the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. The proposed allocation of funds is intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds to nonprofits whose work addresses inequities by providing services to all throughout the county. Organizations are chosen for funding based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on underserved communities that contain higher numbers of People of Color and LGBTQ+ people. Organizations chosen should work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach and programs. Supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony to verify the organization meets these goals.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the grant allocation requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15665) and Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$323,699 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) and \$230,000 from the Community Enhancement Program funds (Org 12900) totaling \$553,699. The funding sources are General Purpose Revenue and Transit Occupancy Tax.

Funds for the return of unused funds are not included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15665). If approved, it will result in cost and revenue of \$46,027 and the funding source is return of unused funds from prior year Neighborhood Reinvestment program allocations so they can be allocated to other projects.

There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

11. SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 3)

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

1. Allocate \$5,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to San Diego County Bicycle Coalition to fund the acquisition of flyers and other printed materials for business outreach and engagement, as well as the acquisition of facilities and equipment for use as bike valet parking, bike rodeo, and educational areas for practicing safe riding skills
2. Allocate \$7,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to North County Health Project Incorporated to cover the costs of essential medical equipment such as phlebotomy chair, mobile cart for an electrocardiogram, Otoacoustic Emissions (OAE) hearing screener set, a transilluminator, ultraviolet Wood's exam lamp with a magnifier, and a universal desk charger set for clinical instruments for the Encinitas health center.
3. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to The San Diego Art Institute to support Campus Safety Illumination project that will improve lighting and replace damaged and inefficient lighting at the Encinitas campus. Funding will be use for the one time purchase of PM Bollards, Wall Washers, flood lights and 150W transformers.
4. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Assistance League of Rancho San Dieguito to support their program focused on disadvantaged or traumatized children. Funding will support with the one-time purchase of clothing that includes shirts, jeans, socks, underwear, jackets, sweaters, hats, dresses, skirts, shorts and shoes. In addition, grant will support the purchase of teddy bears the Kuddles for Kids program.
5. Allocate \$13,100 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Council on American-Islamic Relations, California to support costs of supplies, printing/marketing, venue, and speaker honorarium for their annual recognition banquet to be held in San Diego County.
6. Find that the grants have a public purpose.
7. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to execute grant agreements or amendments to agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grants.
8. Find that the grant proposed for award to The San Diego Art Institute is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize that the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. Find that these proposed allocations of funds are intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds for nonprofits whose work addresses inequities, promotes quality of life and improves outcomes that align with the vision of our county. Organizations were chosen based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on organizations that focus on vulnerable community member, youth events and inclusive community events. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach and programs. Their supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$42,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) and \$13,100 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) totaling \$55,100. Funds for these requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15660) and Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900). The funding source is General Purpose Revenue and Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues. These actions will not result in the addition of staff years or other costs.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

12. **SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (1/25/2022 - FIRST READING; 2/8/2022 - SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The proposed amendments to the San Diego County Compensation Ordinance are part of the ongoing efforts to manage and maintain a skilled, adaptable and diverse workforce dedicated to sustaining operational excellence and serving the public. This action amends the Compensation Ordinance by 1) establishing the Community Health Worker and Peer Support Specialist classifications in the Classified Service to support the Departments of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities and Behavioral Health Services respectively; and 2) amending Section 5.9.1 of the Compensation Ordinance, which adds Juneteenth as a County-observed holiday.

Today's recommendations also amend Administrative Code Section 57, which also adds Juneteenth as a County-observed holiday.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinances (first reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND
ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 57.
2. If, on January 25, 2022, the Board takes action as recommended in item 1 then, on February 8, 2022 (second reading):
Submit ordinances for further Board consideration and adoption on February 8, 2022 (second reading).
3. If, on February 8, 2022, the Board takes action as recommended in item 2, the Chief Administrative Officer is directed to take any necessary action to conform applicable County policies, rules, regulations and ordinances to the addition of Juneteenth as a County-observed holiday.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Department of Human Resources is committed to assuring equity is considered in classification and review work in order to provide and retain a skilled, adaptable, and diverse workforce for County departments. Today's recommendations provide for the appropriate classification of positions.

The Health & Human Services Agency has requested to add the Peer Support Specialist classification and Community Health Worker classification to provide additional linkages to County resources and case management services to ensure person-centered and trauma informed services are delivered in an equitable way to improve the individual's quality of life. Groups that will benefit from these services include vulnerable populations including economically disadvantaged communities, youth, immigrants, seniors, disabled, physically and mentally ill.

The requested action is strongly aligned to the initiatives in the County's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan and its vision for a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all. By creating these classifications, the County will enhance resources and develop programs to address the immediate needs of the County's underserved populations.

Today's recommendations will also add Juneteenth, a day that is celebrated to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States, as a County-observed holiday. If adopted by the County Board of Supervisors, the Chief Administrative Officer will take action to ensure that all applicable policies, rules, regulations, and ordinances of the County are amended, as necessary, to conform to the addition of Juneteenth as a County-observed holiday. Any necessary amendment to other County ordinances affected by this change will be presented to the Board for adoption as necessary.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in an additional annual cost of approximately \$500,000 to establish a new County holiday. The funding source will be existing revenue within County departments. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinances on February 8, 2022, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

**13. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH RELATED SERVICES
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On November 15, 2016 (29), the Board of Supervisors (Board) authorized, through the competitive procurement process, occupational health-related contracts for occupational health medical providers and workers' compensation managed care, nurse case management, and investigative services for the Workers' Compensation and Medical Standards programs. The occupational health medical providers contracts awarded to Concentra (formerly U.S. HealthWorks Medical Group) and Kaiser Permanente on the Job (KPOJ) expire March 31, 2023; the managed care contract awarded to EK Health Services, Inc. expires July 31, 2022; the nurse case management contracts awarded to RehabWest and Keystone Medical Resources expire July 31, 2022; and the investigative services contracts for Probe Information Services, RJN Investigative Services, Specialized Investigation Services, and Western Investigative Services expire August 31, 2022.

Today, the Board is requested to authorize the issuance of requests for proposal (RFPs) and the negotiation of award of contracts for occupational health, managed care, nurse case management, and investigative services. The proposed duration for the occupational health medical providers and workers' compensation managed care, nurse case management and investigation contracts are one year with six additional one-year options with a six-month extension, if needed.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Section 401 et seq., of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Competitive Solicitation for occupational health medical providers, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contract(s) for a proposed duration for each contract for a term of one year with six additional one-year options and a six-month extension for a total of seven years and six months, if needed, and to amend the contract as necessary to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to approval of the Director, Department of Human Resources.

2. In accordance with Section 401 et seq., of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Competitive Solicitation for workers' compensation managed care services with nurse case management services included, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contract(s) for a proposed duration for each contract for a term of one year with six additional one-year options and a six-month extension for a total of seven years and six months, if needed, and to amend the contracts as necessary to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Director, Department of Human Resources.
3. In accordance with Section 401 et seq., of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Competitive Solicitation for investigative services, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contract(s) for a proposed duration for each contract for a term of one year with six additional one-year options and a six-month extension for a total of seven years and six months, if needed, and to amend the contracts as necessary to reflect the changes to services and funding, subject to approval of the Director, Department of Human Resources.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Department of Human Resources is requesting to release a competitive solicitation that will allow the County to consider proposals from a variety of organizations for multiple services, including small businesses and minority, women and veteran-owned businesses, and provide opportunity to contractors with an adequate portfolio to provide equitable occupational health-related services throughout San Diego County to our candidates, employees, and injured workers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2023 Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in an estimated \$6.3 million in costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, an estimated \$6.55 million in costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, and an estimated \$6.8 million in costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. The funding source will be the collections from the participating departments charged through the Employee Benefits Internal Service Fund (ISF). There will be no change in the net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

14. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR VERTICAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) Department of General Services (DGS) contracts for vertical transportation systems (including elevators, dumbwaiters, wheelchair lifts and escalators) maintenance and repair services to ensure safety for County employees and customers at County-owned facilities as well as compliance with federal and state law. The current contract for these services expires on July 31, 2022. To continue providing excellent services to the public, DGS has identified a need to continue contracting this critical service.

Today's action authorizes the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for vertical transportation system maintenance and repairs for County-owned facilities. Additionally, today's action would authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to amend the existing contract as needed until the new contract is in place.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed project for vertical transportation systems, including maintenance and repair services, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.
2. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administration Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for vertical transportation system maintenance and repairs for County-owned facilities, and upon successful negotiations and determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract(s) for a term of one (1) year, with four (4) option years, and up to an additional six (6) months, if needed, and to amend the contract(s) as needed to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the availability of funds and approval of the Director of the Department of General Services.
3. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to amend contract No. 565024 with Mitsubishi Electric US, Inc. for Vertical Transportation System Maintenance Services to extend contract term, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Director, Department of General Services. Waive the advertising requirement of Board Policy A-87.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County of San Diego departments serve individuals throughout the region. Today's actions would grant authorization to issue a competitive solicitation for vertical transportation system maintenance and repairs for enterprise facilities. Maintenance of vertical transportation allows the County to remain in compliance with the Americans with Disability Act and provides access to County buildings for members of the community who may have disabilities. Inclusionary contracting criteria will be incorporated where appropriate. Authorization for elevator maintenance will allow the County to fairly consider proposals from a variety of firms, including small businesses and minority, women and veteran-owned businesses, and

provide opportunity to contractors with an adequate portfolio to maintain elevators used by County staff and members of the public. The County's vertical transportation maintenance contractor will provide full maintenance and preventative maintenance, adjustment, replacement, response to equipment failures, and minor repair services for County of San Diego vertical transportation systems, such as elevators, dumbwaiters, wheelchair lifts and escalators.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operational Plan of the Department of General Services (DGS). If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$1,650,000 annually. The funding source is charges to client departments through the Facilities Management Internal Service Fund. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

15. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

These appointments are in accordance with applicable Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," Board Policy A-77, "Appointments to Fill Vacancies and Cancellation of Election where Insufficient Nominations Filed Prior to Uniform District Election and Citizen Planning Group Election," and Board Policy I-1, "Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures."

RECOMMENDATION(S)

VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS

Re-appoint William Rodriguez-Kennedy to the CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, Seat No.1, for a term to expire January 3, 2028.

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

Waive Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appoint Anthony J. Romano to the JULIAN HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint George Tockstein to the LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 7, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Waive Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appoint Frank I Hilliker to the LAKESIDE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire November 3, 2023.

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

Re-appoint Colleen Lukoff to the NORTH COUNTY CEMETERY DISTRICT, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 5, 2026.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County government includes standing and special citizen boards, commissions, committees and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policy and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County. The nominations in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide individual residents the opportunity to impart valuable insight and input into the operation of the government.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

Noting for the record that an Errata was submitted withdrawing the recommendation to re-appoint Colleen Lukoff to the North County Cemetery District, Seat No. 2, due to redistricting changes to appointment authority; ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions, on Consent:

Re-appointed William Rodriguez-Kennedy to the CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, Seat No.1, for a term to expire January 3, 2028.

Waived Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appointed Anthony J. Romano to the JULIAN HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appointed George Tockstein to the LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 7, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Waived Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appointed Frank I Hilliker to the LAKESIDE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire November 3, 2023.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

16. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Board Policy A-72, Board of Supervisors Agenda and Related Process, authorizes the Clerk of the Board to prepare a Communications Received for Board of Supervisors' Official Records. Routine informational reports, which need to be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors yet not requiring action, are listed on this document. Communications Received documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Note and file.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

17. SUBJECT: ADDRESSING ANTICIPATED SHORTAGES OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN THE SAN DIEGO REGION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Regional law enforcement agencies, including the San Diego County Sheriff's Department and the City of San Diego Police Department, are expected to face a dire shortage of sworn officers necessary to protect life and property in the next few years. Staffing shortages and recruiting challenges for these agencies are increasing as violent crime is surging. Housing shortages and high housing costs have contributed to these personnel shortages as many law enforcement professionals are unable to live where they work. Only twenty-seven percent of City of San Diego police officers live in the City of San Diego.

During the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, local law enforcement personnel put themselves in harm's way by continuing to serve on the front lines to protect our communities. Some of these officers and deputies are now at risk of losing their jobs due to government-mandated vaccination requirements. The recent decision by the San Diego City Council to fire City of San Diego police officers who choose not to receive a COVID-19 vaccination is expected to result in the firing of at least 160 of the City's 1,982 sworn officers with another 478 requesting exemptions. The burden of having an understaffed department will lead to burnout, injury and post-traumatic stress on the remaining officers, creating a cascading effect of more

staffing shortages over time. These compounding factors will certainly make it more difficult for the City of San Diego to reach its 2013 five-year goal of 2,128 sworn officers.

Considering that San Diego County has recently experienced a fourteen percent surge in violent crime, the difficulty in retaining and recruiting deputy sheriffs is of particular concern. The annual Sheriff deputy attrition rate has increased fifteen percent during the past two years while applications have decreased twenty-five percent during the past year and decreased thirty-six percent between 2018 and 2021. Adding to this is a recent string of “smash and grab” crimes occurring in San Francisco, Los Angeles and even in our own county - in National City. The County of San Diego must be prepared to protect residents and business owners from these harmful acts as these types of crimes continue to increase.

The Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement to nine incorporated cities as well as the vast unincorporated area. The Sheriff's Department also plays an important regional role serving as the Regional Mutual Aid Coordinator. Under this role, deputies respond to assist cities during times of need, and have done so in response to civil unrest and riots occurring in El Cajon and La Mesa. Deputies assist if called upon by other law enforcement agencies to help with emergency evacuations and the Sheriff's Department supports both incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County through regional services such as the crime lab, arial support to regional law enforcement agencies (ASTREA), special enforcement detail, bomb/arson, property and evidence, and search and rescue missions.

With the need for maintaining law enforcement and emergency response capabilities greater than ever, it is imperative that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Sheriff to develop recommendations to ensure that the San Diego County Sheriff's Department has the personnel to protect life and property in San Diego County, as prescribed by California Government Code section 26600, et seq. Those sections state, in relevant part, that the Sheriff shall preserve peace, investigate public offenses, and arrest those who have committed public offenses.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON AND SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND

In anticipation of regional public safety officer shortages, and in light of the Sheriff's Department role as Regional Mutual Aid Coordinator, direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Sheriff and return to the Board in 180 days or as soon as practical with updates and recommendations related to recruitment, planning, and funding strategies that support the Sheriff's Department having the critical sworn and non-sworn personnel necessary to protect San Diego County's incorporated and unincorporated residents in accordance with California Government Code Sections 26600-26602 and under the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid System.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Public safety is of the utmost importance for all communities and all county residents. Strong relationships between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve are imperative to maintaining public safety. Ensuring equitable access to law enforcement is necessary to reduce disparities in unserved and underserved communities. Inadequate law enforcement most negatively impacts those in the lower socioeconomic strata of society and communities of color. Ensuring that law and order is maintained protects the most vulnerable in society.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's recommendations. There may be future fiscal impacts associated with future recommendations. Any such recommendations would return to the Board for approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Safe communities enable a robust business climate and greater economic prosperity.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board in 180 days or as soon as practical with updates and recommendations related to recruitment, planning, and funding strategies that support the Sheriff's Department, Probation Department, Public Defender's Office and our County funded youth programs having the critical personnel necessary to protect San Diego County's incorporated and unincorporated residents.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

18. SUBJECT: COUNTY ACTIONS TO ENHANCE HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION AND COORDINATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery, in which victims of human trafficking are subjected to force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of commercial sex, debt bondage, or forced labor. Trafficking of persons occurs throughout the world, including in the United States and victims can include young children, teenagers, men, and women.

According to the FBI, in 2005 San Diego ranked among the 13 worst regions in the United States for child sex trafficking. A 2016 study conducted by the University of San Diego and Point Loma Nazarene estimated that the illicit sex economy in San Diego County was \$810 million dollars, with an estimate of 3,000 to 8,000 survivors each year. The study also revealed that the average age for a victim is 16 years old with many younger at 12, 13, 14 and 15 years of age. Furthermore, the study found that 80 percent of the victims are U.S. citizens and that 90 percent of schools studied across San Diego County had documented cases of human trafficking.

Today's actions demonstrate the County of San Diego's (County) continued commitment to combat human trafficking in our region and provide the critical services and support to survivors of human trafficking. These actions call for a strengthened partnership between the County's Public Safety Group and Health and Human Services Agency along with community partners to develop recommendations for establishing a peer support navigator program for survivors of human trafficking that can help navigate the services/programs available to them as they transition into independence. Additionally, it calls for developing recommendations to enhance efforts to provide an educational campaign to raise awareness about this critical issue. I urge your strong support.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with appropriate Public Safety Group departments such as the District Attorney's Office and Probation in coordination with Health and Human Service Agency departments, including, but not limited to Self Sufficiency Services, Behavioral Health Services, Child Welfare Services, Public Health Services to develop recommendations for establishing a peer support navigator program for survivors of human trafficking.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop recommendations for a strategy to coordinate victim-centered, culturally competent and trauma informed services including, housing, behavioral health services, family services, legal assistance, employment readiness and job placement, and other services deemed necessary or appropriate to provide the greatest opportunity for survivors of human trafficking to be free of exploitation and thrive.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop victim-centered, culturally competent and trauma informed recommendations for enhancing educational efforts to raise awareness to recognize the signs of human trafficking and work in partnership with stakeholders to spread the message.
4. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to assess the current services and resources available and receive survivor, community and stakeholder input and engagement, in order to develop meaningful recommendations to address human trafficking.
5. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board of Supervisors within 180 days with any findings and final recommendations on enhancements and new strategies to implement in the areas mentioned in Recommendations 1 through 4, including program costs and funding sources.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

San Diego County is among one of the highest regions in the United States with human trafficking, with anywhere from 3,000 to 8,000 victims each year. Human trafficking victims can be of any age, race, ethnicity, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, nationality, immigration status, cultural background, religion, socio-economic class, and education attainment level. In the United States, individuals vulnerable to human trafficking include children in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems, including foster care, runaway and homeless youth, racial or ethnic minorities, migrant laborers, LGBTQ+ individuals, and victims of intimate partner violence or other forms of domestic violence, to name a few.

Today's proposed action demonstrates the County of San Diego's (County) continued commitment to combat human trafficking in our region and provide the critical services and support to survivors of human trafficking as they transition to independence. Specifically, by working with the relevant County partners, such as Public Safety Group and Health and Human Services Agency, along with community-based organization partners, the County will provide a comprehensive family-centered focused approach to deliver wraparound services to survivors of human trafficking. This action will further strengthen and enhance outreach efforts especially around our youth population as a mechanism to raise awareness and help prevent human trafficking from occurring in our region.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended actions to explore and develop strategies to strengthen efforts to combat human trafficking. When staff report back, fiscal impacts associated with recommendations of various strategies to implement will be identified for Board approval pending availability of funding.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

19. **SUBJECT: RECEIVE REPORT ON THE SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY AND APPROVE ACTIONS ON SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY CAMPUS OPERATIONS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

San Pasqual Academy (the Academy) opened in 2001 and is a first-in-the-nation residential education campus designed to meet the unique needs of adolescent youth in the foster care system and to prepare them for self-sufficiency upon exiting care. Through a partnership of public and private agencies such as New Alternatives, Inc., San Diego County Office of Education, Access Inc. through the support of the San Diego Workforce Partnership, and the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Child Welfare Services (CWS), youth are provided with residential, education, work readiness and child welfare case management services.

With the enactment of Assembly Bill 403, also known as the Continuum of Care Reform Act (CCR), in 2015, California placed a new emphasis on utilizing home-based settings with resource families for youth in foster care and limiting a youth's placement in congregate care settings, such as the Academy. In addition, the federal Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA), passed in 2018 and requiring full implementation by October 1, 2021, limited the availability of federal funding for placement in congregate settings. As a result of multiple discussions on how to preserve the Academy's unique program as permitted through the parameters of these new laws, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) approved a three-year Pilot Project for the Academy for the period of December 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021.

On February 8, 2021, CWS was notified by CDSS that the Academy's Pilot Project and supporting Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to continue the Academy's on-going operation would terminate effective October 1, 2021 rather than December 31, 2021. It was stated that this was because the Academy's current educationally based residential program is not an allowable model for foster care under FFPSA and CCR. Then, on March 16, 2021 (12), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to request an extension from CDSS for the current MOU for the Academy through June 30, 2022. Subsequently, on May 3, 2021, CDSS replied with an offer to grant an extension to the term of the MOU, to coincide with the end of the 2021-22 school year subject

to several conditions. On May 18, 2021 (30), the Board directed the CAO to enter into an agreement with CDSS for an extension through June 30, 2022. Accordingly, on July 13, 2021 (6), the Board authorized the extension of the contract to operate the Academy through June 30, 2022. Consequently, all of the Academy operations and services would terminate effective July 1, 2022.

More recently, on December 3, 2021, the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, issued a preliminary injunction restraining and enjoining the State from terminating the license for the group home located at the Academy, provided that it continues to comply with the licensing standards currently in existence. Furthermore, on December 23, 2021, CDSS lifted a condition in the MOU restricting new placements at the Academy.

Over the last several years, CWS has engaged in strategic planning to determine how best to utilize the Academy campus to address the changing needs of our community, as well as the changing statutory framework, while building upon the Academy's success. Recent events provide legal support for maintaining existing programming at the Academy, but the County also has the opportunity to maximize the use and capacity of the Academy campus by expanding it to include a continuum of placements ranging from resource family homes to more structured settings for youth with higher needs, along with appropriate services and supports. This reimagined campus will extend the successful outcomes of the Academy to a wider population of youth in foster care.

Today's actions request the Board to receive the report titled "*Re-envisioning San Pasqual Academy*", approve continued operations at the Academy, as needed, to support the transition to a continuum of care multipurpose campus, authorize a competitive solicitation for Resource Family Homes and a Group Home at the campus, authorize a competitive solicitation for Specialty Mental Health Services at the campus, direct the CAO to develop a plan for utilizing the Academy campus as a continuum of care multipurpose campus to serve youth in foster care upon receipt of further guidance from the State and federal governments regarding licensing standards and revenue sources, and direct the CAO to continue to explore options for a mixed-use campus for a combination of youth populations to include youth in foster care, youth at risk of entering foster care, unaccompanied minors and youth interacting with the juvenile justice system; and to develop a plan for implementation.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Receive the report titled "*Re-envisioning San Pasqual Academy*".
2. Approve continued operations at the Academy, as needed, to support the transition to a continuum of care multipurpose campus.
3. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for Resource Family Homes and a Group Home at the campus, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of up to three (3) years, with five (5) one-year options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contract to reflect changes in program service requirements or funding, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.

4. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for Specialty Mental Health Services for the Group Home at the campus, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of up to three (3) years, with five (5) one-year options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contract to reflect changes in program service requirements or funding, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
5. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a plan for utilizing the campus as a continuum of care multipurpose campus to serve youth in foster care upon receipt of further guidance from the State of California and the federal government regarding licensing standards and revenue sources; and return to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to bring forward recommendations for implementation and resource needs.
6. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to continue to explore options for a mixed-use campus for a combination of youth populations to include youth in foster care, youth at risk of entering foster care, unaccompanied minors and youth interacting with the juvenile justice system; and to develop a plan for implementation.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

San Pasqual Academy (the Academy) opened in 2001 to meet the unique needs of adolescent youth in the foster care system (and subgroups within) through a residential education environment that promotes independence and self-sufficiency while focusing on completing high school, preparing for the world of work, practicing independent living skills and developing relational permanency. Through a unique partnership of public and private agencies, youth in foster care ages 12-17 years and non-minor dependents (NMDs) up to age 19 are provided with a seamless delivery of residential, education, work readiness and child welfare case management services. The collaboration increases efforts to maximize racially equitable community outcomes by ensuring all youth at the Academy have increased access to health and wellness opportunities, develop life-long connections, and broaden educational horizons.

Over the last five years, federal and State legislation have significantly shifted the statutory requirements for keeping children safely with families, resulting in sweeping legislative changes that identify home-based settings with resource families as the best placement option for youth and reduce the reliance on and use of congregate care. In light of these changes, and the presenting opportunity to maximize the use and capacity of the Academy campus, efforts began around envisioning a multi-serving Academy with expanded capacity to benefit as many youth in foster care as possible and provide a robust continuum of services, care coordination, placements and supports to meet the diverse needs of this population.

With an equity and empowerment lens, the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services (CWS) initiated a participatory process to identify important services and suggested uses for the Academy in partnership with The Children's Initiative and Harder+Company Community Research. This partnership allowed an independent third party to engage with individuals most impacted by the Academy operations in order to obtain an objective assessment of youth's experiences at the Academy. The partnership also provided opportunities and a platform for youth, stakeholders and community partners to provide input and develop proposals for the next phase of planning and decision making that will provide

maximum positive community impact. In August and September 2021, seven key stakeholder focus groups were completed with former foster youth, partners of the Academy, community partners and the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board of San Diego County, the Foster Alumni and Youth Community Empowerment Subcommittee (FAYCES), relative caregivers and resource families, Foster Family Agencies, Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) providers, Transitional Housing providers, CWS staff, and legal and county partners.

Input gathered for proposed services, placements and supports at the Academy have the capacity to support diverse populations, positively impact communities, and advance racial equity work in San Diego County. CWS will maintain a participatory approach and continue to engage the community and strategically plan for inclusive outreach through the various phases and processes of the Academy's program operations and service expansion.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for recommendations #2 through #4 are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-23 Operational Plan in Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). If approved, there will be no change in costs and revenues in FY 2021-22 and estimated costs and revenue of \$15 million in FY 2022-23 to continue current operations at the Academy, inclusive of an ongoing Group Home and a new Resource Family Homes component. The funding sources include Social Services Administrative Revenues, federal Short-Doyle Medi-Cal, Realignment and General Purpose Revenue. HHSA will utilize one-time realignment funding to bridge the loss of federal Title IV-E revenue for Group Home costs while looking to incorporate and utilize any new federal and State funding available with the implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act as plans for the campus are further developed. There will be no immediate change in net General Fund costs and staff years.

Recommendations #1, #5, and #6 do not have a fiscal impact. Any further implementation plans resulting from work completed under recommendations #5 and #6 to further maximize use of the campus would be brought back to the Board for approval with identified costs and resource needs.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Lawson-Remer, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

20. SUBJECT: RAISING THE BAR FOR A MORE ACCESSIBLE SAN DIEGO COUNTY: IDENTIFYING ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO FURTHER SUPPORT FACILITY ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS, AND ACCESS TO PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was signed into law on July 26, 1990. This law and its precursor, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, prohibit discrimination based on disability. Both statutes set forth legal requirements for making public activities, programs, and services accessible. The regulations mandate that a public entity operate each program, service, or activity such that, when viewed in its entirety, it is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. The regulations also mandate that new facility construction and renovations to existing facilities meet certain architectural and design standards.

Having operated under this statutory framework for decades, the County of San Diego meets the standards set forth by law. The County has taken steps over the years to identify accessibility issues and work towards addressing them. While ADA activities are ongoing, the County should continue to take a proactive approach to further enhance accessibility and engagement through facilities improvement needs as well as within our policies, programs, and services. By taking a close look and identifying areas of opportunity for increasing communication and reporting annually on any new ADA related enhancements, the County of San Diego will be able to meet our constituents' needs by keeping accessibility at the forefront of the County's priorities.

Today's actions will ensure that the County of San Diego serves as a catalyst in promoting and advancing the rights of people with disabilities by proactively and diligently working towards enhanced accessibility for all citizens. I urge your support.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:
 - a. Identify areas within County services, programs, and activities to increase communication regarding access to enhance accessibility for persons with disabilities beyond the requirements per state and federal laws.
 - b. Conduct community outreach with relevant stakeholders and community members to receive input on how to increase awareness about access and accessibility to County services, programs and activities by persons with disabilities.
 - c. Work with the County of San Diego's Committee for Persons with Disabilities to receive input on the CAO's identified areas and proposed recommendations for implementation.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide an annual report to the Board of Supervisors at the end of each fiscal year that outlines any accessibility related enhancements provided under the various County departments during the year.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board of Supervisors in August 2022 with recommendations in the areas mentioned in Recommendation 1.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

According to the “2017 Demographic Profiles San Diego County” report about 9.8% or an estimated 312,565 persons with a disability live in the County of San Diego. Conducting internal reviews along with engaging and seeking community input will result in the identification of opportunities to increase communications regarding access and further enhance accessibility for persons with disabilities. This review will provide the necessary information to enable the County of San Diego to prioritize and make progress towards enhancing accessibility for disabled persons beyond the requirements of state and federal laws. Furthermore, by having annual reporting at the end each fiscal year that outlines any ADA related enhancements conducted by the various County departments during the year, the Board will have a better understanding of the services and programs offered by the County to persons with disabilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. There may be future fiscal impacts associated with future recommendations. Any such recommendations would return to the Board for approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

21. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Jane Doe v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court,
Case No. 37-2021-00036822-CU-NP-CTL
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Hope Ettore v. County of San Diego; San Diego Superior Court,
Case No. 37-2021-00031655-CU-PO-CTL
- C. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54957)
Title: Consultation with Security Officer and County Counsel
- D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Government Code section 54957)
Title: County Counsel

ACTION:

County Counsel reported that for Closed Session on January 25, 2022, the Board of Supervisors took no reportable actions.

22. SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Allison LaShelle spoke to the Board regarding concerns about housing authority discrimination.

Kevin Stevenson spoke to the Board regarding concerns about threatening public comments during Board meetings.

Amie Zamudio spoke to the Board regarding allowing medically fragile seniors into County COVID hotel rooms.

Ellen Nash spoke to the Board regarding concerns about medically compromised seniors being discharged into streets, requests County open hotels to seniors.

Barbara Gordon spoke to the Board regarding concerns about impacts of high THC marijuana on youth.

Diane Grace spoke to the Board regarding concerns about marijuana businesses in unincorporated areas.

Kathleen Lippitt spoke to the Board regarding harmful effects of marijuana on youth.

Mary D. spoke to the Board regarding concerns about existing COVID restrictions.

Audra Morgan spoke to the Board regarding concerns about Board actions and COVID restrictions.

Peggy Walker spoke to the Board regarding supporting data-driven approaches to marijuana impacts.

ACTION:

Heard, Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer.


The Board adjourned the Tuesday session at 3:29 p.m. in memory of Pastor Ray Bentley.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

Consent: Vizcarra
Discussion: Zurita

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, February 8, 2022.



NATHAN FLETCHER
Chair

Attest:



ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board

01/25/2022