

**October 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, OCTOBER 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 9:01 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.

- B. Invocation was led by Reverend Cheri Metier from Interfaith Worker Justice.

- C. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jessica Moore's 4th Grade Class from Chesterton Elementary School in Linda Vista.

- D. Presentations or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards:

Chair Nathan Fletcher presented a proclamation declaring October 25, 2022, to be City Heights Dia De Los Muertos Committee Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Chair Nathan Fletcher presented a proclamation declaring October 25, 2022, to be La Maestra Community Health Centers Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer presented a proclamation declaring October 25, 2022, to be Nancy Hughes Day, Natalie Sherod Day, and Robert Sullivan Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Jim Desmond presented a proclamation declaring October 2022, to be San Marcos Fire Department Fire Prevention Month 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 October 11, 2022; and, the Special Joint meeting of the County/City of San Diego of October 3, 2022.

**ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the Regular Board of Supervisors meeting of October 11, 2022; and, the Special Joint meeting of the County/City of San Diego of October 3, 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**

<b>Category</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Public Safety	1.	SHERIFF - REQUEST TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION RELATING TO FINES COLLECTED BY THE COURTS FOR CHEMICAL TESTING FOR DRUGS AND ALCOHOL IN DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE AND DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS CASES
	2.	SHERIFF - REPORT OF INCARCERATED PERSONS' WELFARE FUND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22
	3.	COURT SECURITY SERVICES MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COMPREHENSIVE COURT SECURITY PLAN WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO [FUNDING SOURCES: LOCAL REVENUE FUND 2011 REALIGNMENT REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ALLOCATED TO THE TRIAL COURT SECURITY SUBACCOUNT, STATE GENERAL FUNDS AND GENERAL-PURPOSE REVENUE]
	4.	DESIGNATION OF SCRIPPS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL LA JOLLA AS A LEVEL I TRAUMA CENTER
	5.	APPROVAL OF THE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Health and Human Services	6.	APPROVAL OF ACTIONS RELATED TO THE SPENDING PLAN FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT PROGRAM FUNDS DIRECT STIMULUS PAYMENTS FOR POPULATIONS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19 [FUNDING SOURCE: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING ALLOCATED DIRECTLY TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO]

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|                                  | 7.  | AUTHORIZE PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT EVIDENCE-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING HOME VISITING PROGRAM<br>[FUNDING SOURCE: REALIGNMENT]  |
| Financial and General Government | 8.  | COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 4)<br>[FUNDING SOURCE: TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUE AND GENERAL-PURPOSE REVENUE]   |
|                                  | 9.  | COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 5)<br>[FUNDING SOURCE: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES; AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE] |
|                                  | 10. | NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 3)<br>[FUNDING SOURCES: GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE AND TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES]   |
|                                  | 11. | ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR DESIGN AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY<br>[FUNDING SOURCE: EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY ENHANCING DETECTION EXPANSION GRANT]<br>(4 VOTES)                          |
|                                  | 12. | REGISTRAR OF VOTERS - MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO SPECIAL DISTRICT BOARDS AND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS AND POST VACANCIES   |
|                                  | 13. | BIENNIAL REVIEW OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES- APPROVAL OF FIRST BATCH OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AMENDMENTS RECEIVED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20, 2022: VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES  |
|                                  | 14. | AUTHORIZE CONTINUANCE OF TELECONFERENCED PUBLIC MEETINGS  |
| Appointments                     | 15. | APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS   |
| Communications Received          | 16. | COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED   |

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| Public Safety                | <p>17. HONORING OUR HEROES: SAN DIEGO REGIONAL FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL AT WATERFRONT PARK<br/>[FUNDING SOURCE: TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUE]</p> <p>18. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:<br/>SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:<br/>SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES<br/>CHANGES PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 177</p>  |
| Health and<br>Human Services | <p>19. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:<br/>COMMUNITY INPUT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 ANNUAL PLAN<br/>DEVELOPMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK<br/>GRANT, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS, HOUSING<br/>OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS AND EMERGENCY<br/>SOLUTIONS GRANT; ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN<br/>APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT<br/>AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUNDS, AND<br/>AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF NOTICES OF FUNDING<br/>[FUNDING SOURCE: STATE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT<br/>FUNDS]</p> <p>20. A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO THE OPIOID CRISIS AND<br/>ADOPTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT<br/>FRAMEWORK<br/>[FUNDING SOURCE: OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND<br/>OVER-REALIZED REVENUE GENERATING ANTICIPATED FUND<br/>BALANCE IN HHSA]<br/>(4 VOTES)</p> <p>21. DEVELOPING A HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM</p> <p>22. RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT<br/>FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ANNUAL UPDATE<br/>[FUNDING SOURCE: MHSA]</p> <p>23. RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY<br/>TRANSITION, AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS, AND<br/>AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING<br/>[FUNDING SOURCES: TITLE IV-E AND REALIGNMENT]</p> |
| Closed Session               | <p>24. CLOSED SESSION</p>  |
| Public<br>Communication      | <p>25. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION</p>  |

1. **SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION RELATING TO FINES COLLECTED BY THE COURTS FOR CHEMICAL TESTING FOR DRUGS AND ALCOHOL IN DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE AND DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS CASES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The San Diego Sheriff's Department Regional Crime Laboratory (Regional Crime Lab) and the San Diego Police Department Crime Laboratory (SDPD Crime Lab) are responsible for chemical testing, specifically alcohol and impairing substances associated with incidents involving driving under the influence and driving under the influence of drugs (DUI/DUID). Penal Code Section 1463.14(a) permits the collection of \$50 from each fine associated with driving under the influence (DUI) or reckless driving convictions to pay for the cost of drug and/or alcohol testing performed by the Regional Crime Lab and SDPD Crime Lab.

On May 24, 2022 (14) and June 14, 2022 (21), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors authorized Resolution 22-057 to permit the collection of fees pursuant to Penal Code 1463.14(b). This new resolution, after consultation with the California Superior Courts, is to expand the resolution to include all crime laboratories conducting chemical testing in DUI/DUID incidents within the County of San Diego; including both the San Diego County Sheriff's Department Regional Crime Laboratory and the San Diego Police Department Crime Laboratory.

Today's actions request that the Board of Supervisors (Board) review and adopt a resolution relating to fines collected for testing for drug and alcohol substances. By adopting this resolution, the Board of Supervisors authorizes an additional fee under Penal Code 1463.14 (b) for those persons who can afford to pay when convicted of driving under the influence under Vehicle Code 23152 and 23153. Pursuant to Penal Code Section 1463.14(b) the additional penalty collected shall be deposited directly with the County, or city or special district within the county, that performed the test, in the special account described in Section 1463.14(a).

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SHERIFF**

On October 25, 2022:

Adopt a Resolution entitled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO FINES COLLECTED FOR CHEMICAL TESTING FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL SUBSTANCES.**

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The San Diego Sheriff's Department strives for equitable and positive outcomes in our communities, which means that services to our communities should not entail fees that create inequalities or inequities for our communities. The proposed fee increases are part of the transparency and accountability that is necessary in government. These fees are meant for service cost recovery and are levied by the court-not directly by the Sheriff's Department-and only to those individuals who can financially afford to pay as obligated by statute.



## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed action to approve a resolution to allow for the collection of fines related to chemical testing for driving under the influence cases contributes to the County's Sustainability Goal to provide just and equitable access to County services by playing a regional leadership role and working with other agencies and jurisdictions. The Regional Crime Lab provides impartial, reliable, accurate, and timely forensic science services to the Sheriff's Department and the criminal justice community. The Sheriff's Crime Laboratory is a full-service laboratory providing forensic services to over thirty law enforcement agencies, which include state and federal agencies as well as the Sheriff's Department and municipal police agencies in San Diego County.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will produce an increase in revenue depending on the number of California Vehicle Code (CVC) 23152 and 23153 convictions in which the California Superior Court levies the fee. As required by the California Penal Code, funding must be provided to the responsible jurisdiction for cost recovery of chemical testing services rendered. Revenue for this program cannot exceed the cost of the program.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

## **ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 22-153, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO FINES COLLECTED FOR CHEMICAL TESTING FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL SUBSTANCES.

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

2. **SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REPORT OF INCARCERATED PERSONS' WELFARE FUND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund (IPWF) was established for the purpose of providing for the welfare of incarcerated individuals. Funds are expended primarily for educational, vocational, and behavioral training that support individuals making a positive transition back to the local community. These types of programs are essential to decreasing the rate of return to custody, contributing to the successful reunification of families, and having a direct impact on reducing future involvement with the justice system.

This is a request for the Board of Supervisors to receive an itemized report of expenditures from the Sheriff's Department Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund, as required under California Penal Code section 4025.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **SHERIFF**

Receive the San Diego Sheriff's Department Fiscal Year 2021-22 report of Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund expenditures.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund (IPWF) is expended for the purpose of providing for the welfare of incarcerated persons and to assist in their transition back into the community through educational, vocational, and behavioral training. Providing quality educational and psychosocial intervention in detention facilities assures that vulnerable populations that have experienced incarceration will not be deprived of opportunities to create post-release positive outcomes. Successful reentry and reintegration allow individuals to not only become, but hopefully remain contributing members of their communities. Due to the unique detention and reentry environment, it is critical to partner with program providers that can adapt to the setting and provide the highest quality learning experiences, credentials, and behavioral treatment. The benefits supported through the IPWF are made available to all eligible incarcerated persons.

In accordance with the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) recommendations for replacing outdated and inappropriate terminology with gender-inclusive and people-centered language, the Inmate Welfare Fund By-Laws and Operating Procedures were updated in 2022 to reflect a name change to the Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to receive the department's Incarcerated Persons' Welfare Fund (IPWF) expenditure report contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals of providing just and equitable access and protecting the health and wellbeing of everyone in the region. Individuals need access to quality educational and psychosocial intervention programs while in custody. The wellness programs in the detention facilities provide exercise and wellness education to incarcerated persons. The programs and services provided through IPWF are built to mirror the quality of programs in the community. Access to quality programs is vital for incarcerated persons to be successful when they return to society. These programs provide meaningful experiences and credentials, which are beneficial for employment opportunities upon release.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

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



**3. SUBJECT: COURT SECURITY SERVICES MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COMPREHENSIVE COURT SECURITY PLAN WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The Superior Court Security Act of 2012 (Act) requires the Court and the Sheriff to develop a Comprehensive Court Security Plan. The Act also requires the County and the Court to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) specifying agreed-upon levels of court security services and any other agreed-upon governing or operating procedures.

On January 12, 2021 (1), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the previous MOU between the Superior Court of California - County of San Diego (Court) and the County of San Diego (County) regarding the provision of services and payment of costs pertaining to Trial Courts. That MOU authorized revenue and expenditures for various services provided by the County to the Court, including Court security provided by the Sheriff's Department (Sheriff).

The level of service described in the comprehensive security plan and MOU being considered by the Board today, reflect changes to court security processes developed by the Sheriff's Department in collaboration with the Court.

Today's item requests authorization for the execution, upon receipt, of a Court Services MOU for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SHERIFF**

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, which requires full cost recovery for services provided to agencies or individuals outside the County organization.
2. Approve and authorize the Sheriff and Clerk of the Board to accept and execute, upon receipt, the Memorandum of Understanding and Comprehensive Court Security Plan between the County of San Diego, through the Sheriff's Department, and the Superior Court of California - County of San Diego, for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027.
3. Authorize the Sheriff and Clerk of the Board to approve mid-year service level changes, amendments and/or revisions for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department is responsible for the safety and well-being of all visitors and employees at San Diego Superior Courts. The Sheriff's Department does this while ensuring Court facilities and the services they provide are accessible and easy to understand for the public.

Among the governing and operating procedures included in this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is the provision of processing court-issued orders, including violence-related restraining orders, orders for removal from residence and registered process services.

Any delays in the processing of these services could have a significant impact on the public, including individuals from communities that have historically experienced social and economic inequities. Everyone deserves to live a life free from violence. The quick and efficient processing of restraining orders is among the protections included in the services provided by the Sheriff's Department as part of this agreement.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed actions to execute the Memorandum of Understanding that allows the department to provide agreed upon court security services and other governing and operating procedures for the Superior Court of California - County of San Diego contribute to the County's Sustainability Goal to provide just and equitable access. Staffing for security services and governing and operating services provide for the safety of those visiting and working at the courthouse and ensures that court orders and services are processed expeditiously. These services are critical to the overall delivery of the civil and criminal justice process in San Diego County.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will result in current year estimated costs and revenue of \$57,642,087. Funding sources are Local Revenue Fund 2011 Realignment revenue from the State of California allocated to the Trial Court Security Subaccount (\$43,183,160), State General Funds (\$1,473,790) and General-Purpose Revenue (\$12,985,137). 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

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

**4. SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF SCRIPPS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL LA JOLLA AS A LEVEL I TRAUMA CENTER (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

In California, Section 1798.165 of the Health and Safety Code authorizes the local emergency medical services agency to designate trauma facilities as part of its trauma care system. In accordance with the County of San Diego (County) Trauma System Plan

and prior Board of Supervisors (Board) actions, San Diego County currently recognizes two Level I Trauma Centers, three Level II Trauma Centers, and one pediatric Level I Trauma Center. A Level II Trauma Center can initiate definitive care for all injured patients, including having qualified specialists available 24/7. A Level I Trauma Center has additional programs to provide total care for every aspect of injury - from prevention through rehabilitation. This enhanced medical resource improves the County's ability to receive and treat the most injured residents, improving regional resilience and community health and wellbeing.

The Board of Supervisors is requested to approve the upgraded designation for Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla to a Level I Trauma Center. This Level I Trauma Center designation recognizes Scripps Memorial La Jolla for meeting national Level I Trauma Center standards with the implementation of a robust trauma research and residency training program. The American College of Surgeons independently reviewed and verified that Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla has met Level I Trauma Center standards during its triennial review. As a Level I Trauma Center, this center will be a comprehensive regional resource that can provide all aspects of trauma care.

Today's requested action will designate Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla as a Level I Trauma Center in the San Diego County Trauma System to care for County residents and visitors with serious injuries.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Designate Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla as a Level I Trauma Center, in accordance with the County of San Diego Trauma System Plan.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

San Diego County trauma centers treat approximately 12,000 patients a year. Serious injuries can include falls, motor vehicle incidents, and other accidents; however, victims of assaults, abuse and other violence comprise a significant portion of those who receive specialized trauma care from the San Diego County Trauma System. Historical data shows individuals who are Black have the highest risk of serious traumatic injury, with a disproportionate injury rate from both motor vehicle incidents and assaults. Although the majority of traumatic injuries occur in younger age groups, those 85 years and older are at much higher risk of traumatic injury compared to younger age groups. Recommendations implemented as a part of today's action will advance high quality, specialized, time-critical trauma care resources for residents and visitors.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to designate Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla as a Level I Trauma Center contributes to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of Resilience. As a Level I Trauma Center, the program is responsible for community engagement and education, providing leadership in injury prevention throughout the region. Level I Trauma Centers also provide multidisciplinary rehabilitation programs, including substance abuse screening and patient support for those struggling with addiction issues co-occurring with a serious injury.

Lastly, Level I-verified centers promote data-driven research to drive innovation in injury prevention, trauma care, and recovery. These capabilities improve the health and well-being of all San Diego County residents and visitors.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

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

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

5. **SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

In accordance with Board Policy A-74, Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees, the Board of Supervisors (Board) has the authority to establish and oversee special citizen boards that advise the Board and County staff on issues of policy and serve as links to the community. The Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) is a citizens' advisory committee established by the Board pursuant to Health and Safety Code Division 2.5, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 1797.272.

County Service Area (CSA) 17 is a voter-approved special district created to provide 9-1-1 ambulance services in a specific geographic area. The CSA 17 Advisory Committee facilitates a public forum to present feedback on the provision of this important service.

Today's action will approve amendments to the EMCC and CSA 17 Advisory Committee bylaws to reflect changes in the Emergency Medical Services Office's location within the County enterprise and to add inclusive language and other advisory committee-endorsed language updates.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the bylaws entitled: BYLAWS OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY and BYLAWS OF THE COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 SAN DIEGUITO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE as required by Board Policy A-74.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed action to approve the EMCC and CSA 17 Advisory Committee bylaws will facilitate the continuation of a public forum for citizens and stakeholder groups to provide their feedback on the delivery of emergency medical services in the community. In addition, the proposed bylaws provide inclusive language, recognizing the importance of all participants.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to approve these bylaws will support the County's vision of sustainability and safeguard the health and wellbeing of our communities by encouraging stakeholder participation and ensuring that County initiatives receive advice, feedback, and clear communication from those interacting with these critical services.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is no business impact associated with the recommended action.

### **ACTION:**

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

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

6. **SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF ACTIONS RELATED TO THE SPENDING PLAN FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT PROGRAM FUNDS DIRECT STIMULUS PAYMENTS FOR POPULATIONS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19 (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 County residents by approving a framework for the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. As part of this framework, under the Direct Stimulus Payments component, the Board approved Direct Cash Assistance for Populations Disproportionately Impacted by COVID-19. Approval of the ARPA framework was the first step toward getting needed support and resources on the ground across the region. On August 30, 2022 (20), the Board received an update on the existing framework and projected spending levels and approved an updated allocation of ARPA funding for this component. As part of this approved reallocation \$10 million was directed for Direct Cash Assistance for Populations Disproportionately Impacted by COVID-19.

Additional action is needed to begin to operationalize this effort to support San Diego County's most vulnerable communities who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Today's action requests the Board approve recommendations related to the spending plan for the Direct Stimulus Payments component of the approved ARPA



framework, specifically, authorization for a subrecipient agreement with Jewish Family Service of San Diego for the expansion of an existing State-funded program - *San Diego for Every Child, Guaranteed Income Program* - including an evaluation component to determine impact and sustainability. Additionally, today's action requests authorization to transfer appropriations to the Health and Human Services Agency.

Today's action also requests authority for the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for additional funding opportunities, if available, that address poverty and homelessness throughout the region.

This item supports the County of San Diego's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind and disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by providing access to cash assistance to address the lack of means to satisfy basic needs.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute a subrecipient agreement, subject to successful negotiations, between the County of San Diego and Jewish Family Service of San Diego for the expansion of the existing State-funded program *San Diego for Every Child, Guaranteed Income Program*, for a term of three years and up to six additional months if needed, and to amend the subrecipient agreement as necessary.
2. Transfer appropriations of \$10,000,000 from the Finance Other, General Miscellaneous Expense, Other Charges, appropriated for the Direct Stimulus Payments component of the American Rescue Plan Act funds, to the Health and Human Services Agency, Services & Supplies for the direct cash assistance for populations disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.
3. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for future funding opportunities related to addressing poverty and homelessness throughout the region in the current and future fiscal years.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

In order to support the communities most impacted by COVID-19, an equity lens was used to prioritize the distribution of COVID-19 response and recovery funds. Zip codes with low employment and low household income coincide with the highest percentage of COVID-19 cases in the region. Those living within these 39 Health Equity Zip Codes have been identified as the communities that have the highest need for support. The direct stimulus payments are intended to balance equity for disproportionately impacted communities by reducing disparities and ensuring access through a fully optimized social service delivery system and upstream strategy of issuing these payments. The direct stimulus payments will also create economic opportunity by dismantling barriers to expand opportunities to traditionally



underserved low-income communities. The goal of the direct stimulus payments is to accomplish this by providing families with additional resources to help meet their basic needs as the payments can be utilized for critical components including housing, transportation, childcare, and food.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed actions align with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals of providing just and equitable access, specifically focusing on investing in chronically underserved communities. By directing American Rescue Plan Act funding toward addressing the most basic needs caused by child poverty, such as food and housing, the direct stimulus payments through the *San Diego for Every Child, Guaranteed Income Program*, will help a family today. By building in an evaluation component to better understand the root causes that result in such basic needs, these same dollars can contribute to building a foundation for long-term efforts that support self-sufficiency and outcomes, interrupting the cycle of poverty.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-24 County of San Diego Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in estimated total costs and revenue of \$10,000,000 starting in FY 2022-23 through FY 2024-25. 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board in 30 days with options to restructure the program, with a focus on one-time payments to families, senior citizens, or vulnerable or at risk of becoming homeless, prioritizing the 39 Health Equity Impact zip codes.

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

7. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT EVIDENCE-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING HOME VISITING PROGRAM (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Medical Care Services provides an evidence-based community health program focused on home visits to improve the health and lives of parents and children living in poverty. This program includes prenatal and postnatal home visits conducted by County Public Health Nurses (PHNs) for low-income families throughout San Diego County. Currently, training and technical assistance for PHNs conducting these home visits are provided through a contract with Nurse-Family Partnership. This contract expires December 31, 2022.

Approval of today's recommended actions authorizes the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to authorize an extension of the current contract through August 31, 2026, which is necessary to ensure participants who start the current program can complete the same program they are initially enrolled in for continuity of care and fidelity to the model to achieve the best outcomes.

In addition, today's actions authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for an evidence-based home visiting model including training and technical assistance to Public Health Nursing and award a contract, subject to successful negotiations and determination of fair and reasonable pricing.

These items support the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically unserved and underserved, as well as the ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by supporting the continuity of a program that improves the health and lives of parents and children living in poverty, with the goal of reducing the risk of infant death, high-risk pregnancies, preterm births, partner violence, and child maltreatment.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. 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 546853 with Nurse-Family Partnership for training and technical assistance to extend the contract term through August 31, 2026, and up to an additional six months if needed, 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 Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
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 an evidence-based home visiting model including training and technical assistance to Public Health Nursing and support staff, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for a term of one year, with four option years and up to an additional six months if needed; and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

On January 12, 2021 (1-3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) committed to a core set of values established by the Framework for the Future, which prioritizes racial justice, health equity, economic opportunity, environmental protection, and government transparency, which influenced changes to the County of San Diego (County) operations. On July 13, 2021 (14), the Board also established that the above principles drive the County's policy approach and allocation of resources to ensure quality services are provided to address social drivers of health and to mitigate disparities and inequities.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately 700 women die from pregnancy-related complications in the United States every year, which are preventable through improving access to, and coordination and delivery of, quality care. The goal of home visiting is to reduce these health disparities.

As a steward of public health for the region, County Health and Human Services Agency, Medical Care Services is committed to offering services through County-operated and contracted programs that address the social drivers of health; are culturally, linguistically, and geographically accessible; meet the needs of a diverse population; and foster equitable distribution of services. In support of these efforts, the County fosters home visiting as a preventive program focused on supporting healthier pregnancies and promoting positive child development. If approved, today's actions will provide continuity of services that improve access to resources that support healthy pregnancies and early childhood development for low-income parents and their children. According to the California Department of Public Health, evidence demonstrates that such interventions encourage statistically significant reductions in risk of infant death, high-risk pregnancies, preterm births, partner violence, and child maltreatment.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed actions support the County of San Diego (County)'s Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community; Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access; and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and wellbeing of everyone in the region. This will be done by ensuring vulnerable populations in underserved communities are given access to resources provided by home visits conducted by County Public Health Nurses, which promotes the overall health and wellbeing of those disproportionately impacted. County Health and Human Services Agency, Medical Care Services will seek community input prior to the competitive solicitation.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

#### **Recommendation #1:**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-24 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). If approved, this request will result in anticipated costs and revenue of \$240,000 in FY 2022-23 and anticipated annual costs and revenue of \$260,000 beginning in FY 2023-24. The funding source is Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **Recommendation #2:**

Funds for this request are not included in the FY 2022-24 Operational Plan in the HHSA. If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2022-23 and anticipated costs and revenue of \$260,000 in FY 2023-24. The funding source is Realignment. Funds for subsequent years will be incorporated into future operational plans. 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

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

**8. SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD  
REINVESTMENT PROGRAM 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 Asian Business Association Foundation to help build long-term infrastructure for increased voter registration and participation, engaging, educating, and empowering Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander (AANHPI) residents of San Diego County.
2. Allocate \$3,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County, Inc. to support staff to plan and execute the Big Futures Graduation which recognizes each one who accomplishes the major goal of graduating high school.
3. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Cooper Family Foundation to help support their Juneteenth Community Festival on June 17, 2023, which is a cultural and educational experience featuring performances, a kids' Fun Zone, arts, and crafts, facepainting, history wall and video viewing, and Health and Resource fair which will connect low-income and at-risk individuals to community and health resources.
4. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Economic Development Corporation-San Diego County to support the Inclusive Growth - Talent Pipeline Development which will diversify the regional talent pipeline at no cost to employees through training programs combining skill training for participants with connections to quality jobs in regional industries, enabling companies to hire residents.
5. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Forever Balboa Park to help produce a user-friendly map of Balboa Park, part of a multiyear project to redesign the park's signage and wayfinding system. The new map serves a multitude of purposes and be made available to other park entities.

6. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Friends of the Water Conservation Garden to help fund staff time to support events such as Free Day Fridays, MSP Goes Batty, Holiday Lights, San Diego Tree Week, and Garden Festivals which serve as tourist attractions to over 3,000 attendees from the Greater San Diego area.
7. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Gente Unida to help cover operational costs including maintaining contact with volunteers, recruitment efforts, fielding calls from refugees and migrants, media relations, fundraising and grant writing, marketing efforts, educational presentations and visiting schools and shelters to support stress-reduction activities such as trauma-informed resilience through joy workshops, dancing, music, yoga, and art provided to refugees and the larger community.
8. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Impact Cubed to help cover the cost of marketing, PR and platform cost for San Diego Gives which highlights pressing community needs and impactful nonprofit responses via an interactive website and an online crowdfunding campaign.
9. Allocate \$10,00 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego County Bicycle Coalition to help fund the CicloSDias 2022, a family-friendly event for movement bicyclists, walkers, and skaters to experience safe, open streets and to support economic development for local business.
10. Allocate \$75,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego Bowl Game Association to fund Sports San Diego which will help drive visitor demand to economically benefit the San Diego region through recruiting, supporting, and hosting world-class sports events.
11. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to The Social & Environmental Entrepreneurs, Inc. dba The Veterans Art Project to support in person art classes at VETART school Ceramics and Glass for veterans, spouses, dependents, caregivers, active duty, and community members.
12. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Voices for Children to fund a portion of Voices for Children's Outreach Coordinator's salary which presents to corporations, community groups, and other entities to discuss how Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) benefit children and youth in foster care.
13. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Write Out Loud to help fund their annual free festival, TwainFest, held in Old Town which provides residents and visitors the celebration of 19th century literature and culture through old-fashioned arcade-style games, new literary performances, and classic characters.



14. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County, Inc. to help cover the necessary capital expenditures to install additional furniture and fixtures for their office suite to improve use, efficiency, and organization of their new space, gifts for volunteers to show their appreciation, and supplies for graduation event for senior littles such as tablecloths, photobooth, décor, and centerpieces.
15. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to City Heights Business Association to help cover the cost of a community identification sign on a new City of San Diego roundabout on University Avenue in City Heights which will serve to create a sense of place and identity.
16. Allocate \$14,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to The Environmental Health Coalition to help with the cost of improvements to the community park along Boston Avenue in Barrio Logan by covering design costs.
17. Allocate \$13,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Karen Organization of San Diego to fund the office improvement project of their office space by adding a new kitchen space and improve the current bathroom which is a very important space for all refugees from Burma in San Diego to feel welcomed and belong in this new country and society.
18. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Lambda Archives to help fund the breakdown of the installations of an exterior entrance door automatic opener and the interior archive door automatic opener which creates a more accessible space for the community.
19. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Little Saigon San Diego to help them convert El Cajon Boulevard into a mini park and invite residents and people to gather, sit, relax, and socialize which will help lessen criminal activities and create a safer environment for pedestrians to walk and be able to enjoy the outdoors.
20. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Noah Homes, Inc. to help fulfill a critical equipment need such as standalone generators to help light their residences and campus in case of a power outage and to ensure safety in the event of a power outage.
21. Allocate \$65,500 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Pillars of the Community to fund soil delivery and placement, labor, and material such as mulch, plants and tree planting, irrigation, fence, fountain, gazebo, and outdoor kitchen which will help pay the cost of a community garden space to educate residents on water conservation techniques and the beauty and benefits of water conservation, landscaping, gardening, and healthy eating.



22. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Civic Youth Ballet, Inc. to support in re-branding their organization such as replacing outdated computers, one-time costs for a new website that interfaces with enrollment system, acquisition of collateral materials such as letterhead and information sheets, and to renovate office facilities such as workstations, storage cabinets, and kitchenette at their facilities located at 1650 El Prado Ste 209, San Diego, Ca 92101.
23. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Mountain Biking Association to provide support for the Tri-Canyons and Balboa Park Trail Improvement project by purchasing tools, lumber, concrete, and other supplies and materials, and laptop computers for staff for planning, mapping, and communications.
24. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Synergy Foundation Inc. to fund laptops, printers, sports equipment, COVID-19 supplies, school supplies and backpacks for underserved and underprivileged youth to create an increased sense of belonging and engagement from students that participate in their education and fitness/nutrition program.
25. Find that the grants have a public purpose.
26. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Office to enter into agreements and make minor amendments to agreements that do not change the purpose or amount of the grant to organizations awarded funds.
27. Find that the proposed grants to Karen Organization of San Diego, Noah Homes, Inc., Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County, Inc., City Heights Business Association, Little Saigon San Diego, San Diego Civic Youth Ballet, Inc., San Diego Mountain Biking Association, and San Diego Second Chance Program are 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. 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.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's action to support these organizations supports the County of San Diego's goals of sustainability by funding organizations that support sustainability and environmental justice.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for these grant allocation requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900) and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15665). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$203,500 from the Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900) and \$212,500 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15665) totaling \$416,000. The funding sources are Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues and General Purpose Revenue

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

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

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

9. **SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 5)**

**OVERVIEW**

Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act, Community Enhancement and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program funding assists nonprofit organizations in providing essential services to citizens of San Diego County. Reinvesting taxpayer money in worthwhile organizations is a benefit to the citizens and communities of North County.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)****SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND**

1. Allocate \$4,000 from Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act Program budget (Org 12905) to the Asian Culture and Media Alliance, Inc. to address the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on cultural activity by providing funds to augment reduced funding during the pandemic to produce a film documentary to address issues related to anti-Asian sentiments.
2. Allocate \$50,000 from Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act Program budget (Org 12905) to the Oceanside Community Service Television Corporation to address the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on capacity building and career readiness by providing funds for the Career Ready Internship Program for local high school and college students through staff and expert training cost.
3. Allocate \$23,032 from Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act Program budget (Org 12905) to the San Diego North Educational Foundation to address the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic resulting from decreased funding and adverse impacts on area businesses by providing funds to support staff needed to provide services, technology cost to hold hybrid events, and vendor bills and expenses like utilities, internet, and phone payments.

4. Allocate \$5,000 from Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act Program budget (Org 12905) to the Vietnamese-American Youth Alliance Corp. to address the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on cultural activity as a result of reduced revenue and funding opportunities by providing funds for the San Diego Tet Festival, eSports competition and VAYA Speaker Series.
5. Allocate \$30,000 from Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act Program budget (Org 12905) to the YMCA of San Diego County to help address the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic resulting from lost donations and user fees on recreational activity by providing funds for athletic facilities, instructor(s) and lessons cost for swim safety lessons for children.
6. Allocate \$15,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to ArtsBusXpress to help with staff cost and field trips to Title 1 TK-12 students in San Diego County.
7. Allocate \$20,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Asian Business Association Foundation to help with non-partisan increased voter registration and participation aimed at engaging, educating, and empowering Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander (AANHPI) residents of San Diego County.
8. Allocate \$50,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Borrego Village Association to support program costs for the Borrego Springs High School Interpretation Certification Course, workforce development certifications, destination marketing and website cost, signage, wayfinding and digital media for the Visitors Experience Masterplan, and a certified training program for emergency first aid.
9. Allocate \$21,500 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the DustSlinger Youth Cycling, Inc. to purchase an equipment enclosed trailer, youth cycling tool kit, bicycle stands, uniforms, bikes and safety gear for new club members that cannot afford them, and event entry fees for those in need.
10. Allocate \$15,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Empowering Latino Futures to support staff, printing and marketing, website and video cost for the Latino Book & Family Festival at MiraCosta College in Oceanside on October 15, 2022.
11. Allocate \$160,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce to support operations, maintenance and event costs for the annual Avocado Festival, Visitor's Center, holiday events including the Artisan Faire, Parade, window and tree lighting displays, marketing efforts, seminars, education, and community resources.
12. Allocate \$50,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Free to Thrive to support salary cost to serve clients at One Safe Place.

13. Allocate \$25,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego North Economic Development Council to support economic development research, services and North County marketing including staff time and outreach efforts.
14. Allocate \$30,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to A Step Beyond to purchase Paxton-Patterson career simulation lab modules and technology for the MakerSpace laboratory for low-income students.
15. Allocate \$40,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Beacons, Inc. to purchase a passenger shuttle and wheelchair lift for disabled individuals.
16. Allocate \$14,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego to help with roof installation for the garage and roof maintenance for the gym located at 115 Woodward Avenue, Escondido, CA 92025.
17. Allocate \$40,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the San Diego North Economic Development Council to purchase videos for the SOCAL project that raises awareness about career pathways in various fields and occupations.
18. Allocate \$48,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to The San Marcos Promise to assist with the purchase of Meridian smart locker systems to charge the virtual headsets used for making more informed career and college decisions.
19. Find that these grants have a public purpose and that those grants awarded using American Rescue Act Program funds are needed to address a negative economic or public health impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
20. Amend the purpose of the 8/30/22 (7) Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) allocation of \$29,469 to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego to include one-time renovation cost to support the material and installation of roof replacements at the Baker Family branch and Conrad Prebys Escondido branch located at 835 W. 15th Avenue, Escondido, CA 92025 and 115 Woodward Avenue, Escondido, CA 92025. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
21. 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.
22. Find that the allocations to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

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 by providing services to all with an emphasis on underserved communities. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach and programs.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed allocation of funds will contribute to the overall sustainability of the region by providing funding to organizations that align with the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals by engaging the community, provide just and equitable access, transition to a green and carbon-free economy, protect the health and wellbeing of the community members, protect water, ecosystems, habitats, biodiversity and/or reduce pollution and waste.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement ARPA Program budget (Org 12905), Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15670). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$112,032 from the Community Enhancement ARPA Program budget (Org 12905), \$356,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) and \$172,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) totaling \$640,532. The funding sources are American Rescue Plan Act, Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues 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 Vargas, 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 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 \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Carlsbad Village Business Association to provide pole holiday decorations, hardware and professional installation, flowers for hanging baskets and professional installation, flagpole Christmas tree and professional installation, compliant traffic control signs, storage shed for sign storage, mobile barriers and traffic cones, and updated traffic control engineer plans.
2. Allocate \$40,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Little Italy Association for the design, creation, production and installation of a bronze sculpture, honoring a woman and civic leader, educator, and activist, Midge Constanza.
3. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Mission Edge San Diego to support the one-time purchase of workbooks, books, educational conversation cards, training manuals, binders, section dividers, tote/bag, USB drive with PDF versions of activity sheets and presentation slides, certificate holder, retractable and self-standing projector screen, projector, presentation clicker, adapters/dongles, outdoor speaker, tripod, hard drive to store trainee presentations, portable storage containers, branded t-shirts, cell phone, sleeping bags, water bottles, camping chairs, roll top tables, field journals, pens, pencils, markers, white boards, dry erase markers, clipboards, and name tags.
4. Allocate \$9,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to San Diego Organizing Project to support the purchase of a refrigerator, microwave, kitchenette shelf, floor mats, sofa, love seat, club chairs, tool set, storage cabinet, door mats, MacBook Air, and 10 tablets.
5. Allocate \$7,500 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association of San Diego, Incorporated to support costs of Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's event by paying for portable restrooms, sound equipment, security, event power equipment, advertising/marketing materials, and other event related items.
6. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Asian Business Association Foundation to support with the non-partisan Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Voter Engagement Outreach Program. Funding will pay for partial salaries, marketing, mailers, and postage to engage, educate, and empower Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander residents of San Diego County.
7. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Council on American-Islamic Relations, California to support with costs of supplies, printing/marketing, venue, and speaker costs for its annual recognition and fundraising banquet.



8. Allocate \$7,500 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Emerald Keepers to support costs of environmental education roundtable including video production, food, room rental, speaker honorarium, bandanas napkins, tablecloths, design work for invitations and visuals, bagels/coffee, succulents for table decorations, Slido presentation tool, seed paper for name tags, and lanyards for name tags. Funding will support a discussion to achieve a sustainable future for the City of Coronado.
9. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Impact Cubed to support with marketing, public relations and platform costs.
10. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to La Jolla Christmas Parade & Holiday Festival Foundation to support with special events permit fee, police estimate, event day insurance, Port-A-Potties, sound system, platinum rentals, Santa visit photo setup, street sweeping, trash handling, barricades, No Parking signs, registration and operations staff to organize and conduct the 66th Annual La Jolla Christmas Parade and Holiday Festival Event.
11. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to La Jolla Shores Business Association, Inc. to support with Spaces as Places Promenade funding, Streatery Permit, and ongoing expenses of event.
12. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to North County LGBTQ Resource Center to support costs of Pride by the Beach including permits, street control and cleaning, stage rental, sound system and coordination, business network collaboration and support, marketing and promotions initiatives, and art installation/infrastructure.
13. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Pacific Beach Town Council Inc., to support costs of stage and production equipment including sound, lighting, and talent for Concerts on the Green Event.
14. Allocate \$50,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego Bowl Game Association to support costs of Sports San Diego and World Surf League Junior Championships.
15. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego Organizing Project to support the partial salaries of staff to conduct surveys, collect testimonies and conduct educational outreach in communities in District 3.
16. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Social & Environmental Entrepreneurs (SEE), Inc. to support costs of art classes in San Diego for Veterans.
17. Allocate \$7,500 from the Community Enhancement Grant Program budget (Org 12900) to Surfing Madonna Oceans Project to support costs of Arts Alive Banners, San Dieguito Art Guild, Encinitas Friends of the Arts Donation to Passport Series and Donation to Student Advisory, artists awards, and miscellaneous awards.

18. 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.
19. Find that each of the grants has a public purpose.
20. Find in accordance with Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines that the proposed grants to Carlsbad Village Business Association, and Little Italy Association are exempt from CEQA review.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

We recognize 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.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to fund nonprofit organizations improves quality of life and supports long term sustainability of the community, advancing the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals to educate the community, protect ecosystems, habitats, biodiversity, and transition to a green, carbon-free economy.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the grant allocation requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15660) and Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900) The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$74,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660), and \$212,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) totaling \$286,500. The funding sources are General Purpose Revenue and Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

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

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

**11. SUBJECT: ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR DESIGN AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY (DISTRICT: 2)**

**OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency's (HHSA) Public Health Laboratory (PHL) has been operating out of HHSA's Health Services Complex (HSC) since the 1990's. However, the current location no longer meets the operational needs of the PHL.

On December 12, 2006 (14), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) selected Lowe Enterprises to develop the County Operations Center (COC) and the Annex. On April 8, 2008 (7), the Board approved the Disposition and Development Agreement (DDA), construction phasing, and the financing plan. Three amendments have been approved for the design and construction at COC for the Registrar of Voters, Crime Lab, Fleet Facility, and the Sheriff's Technology and Information Center. Today's request will allow for the initiation of full design and pre-construction of the County PHL at the COC, which is within the master plan already developed for the COC.

The Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan established \$500,000 of appropriations in Capital Project 1024604, County Public Health Laboratory for design of a new PHL. Estimated total project costs of \$75,500,000 for the PHL, including operations and maintenance, will be reflected in subsequent Operational Plans.

If approved, today's actions will establish \$10,000,000 for design and preconstruction costs of the PHL as part of the COC Redevelopment.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the County Operations Center and Annex Redevelopment Project SCH. No. 2007071142 dated January 7, 2008, on file with the Clerk of the Board, has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines and that the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the information contained therein, on file with the Department of General Services, before approving the project; and

Find that there are no substantial changes in the project or in the circumstances under which the project will be undertaken that involve significant new environmental impacts which were not considered in the previously certified FEIR dated January 7, 2008, or the second addendum thereto dated October 6, 2022, and that there is no substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects, and that no "new information of substantial importance," as that term is used in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162(a)(3), has become available since the FEIR was certified.

2. Establish appropriations of \$10,000,000 in the County Health Complex Fund for Capital Project 1024604, County Public Health Laboratory, based on Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion Grant Funding. **(4 VOTES)**

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Approval of appropriations for the Health and Human Services Agency's County Public Health Laboratory (PHL) will ensure continuation of essential public health services for all communities experiencing health disparities and inequalities across a wide range of diseases, behavioral risk factors, environmental exposures, social determinants, and health-care access by sex, race and ethnicity, income, education, disability status, and other social characteristics. Many of the testing services provided by PHL ensure continuation of essential public health services for all diverse groups (i.e., COVID Testing, STD testing and Tuberculosis (TB) testing, etc.). For example, as many of the County's TB cases are foreign born and are the most vulnerable in our region, PHL plays a critical role in achieving equity through TB testing services. Furthermore, the PHL plays an important role in improving the health equity of diverse communities, specifically since the laboratory is in a border region that serves large military and tribal communities. The new PHL building will be located within the COC campus, which is within its master plan; designed for pedestrian accessibility; and placed for employees to have full access to the campus common areas and gym. Additionally, a new state-of-the-art laboratory will also support the attraction of a diverse public health laboratory workforce.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Approval of the request today will ensure the proposed new health lab will have a sustainability focus in alignment with Board initiatives and Board Policy G-15. Specifically, the new facility will be designed to achieve net zero energy use by being all electric, including renewables and achieving greater energy conservation than required by California Energy Code (Title 24). Further, the facility will include both public and fleet electric vehicle charging stations as needed. Construction of this facility at the County Operations Center provides for a cost-effective, central location, with an easy transition from temporary facilities into an envisioned new state-of-the-art public health lab, allowing the County to continue to provide excellent public health services to the community.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are partially included in the Fiscal Year 2022-24 Operational Plan in the County Health Complex Fund for Capital Project 1024604, County Public Health Laboratory. If approved, appropriations of \$10,000,000 will be established for design and preconstruction to replace the Health Services Complex Laboratory. The funding source will be the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion Grant. HHSA has requested approval from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to utilize the grant to cover the Public Health Lab design and preconstruction, which approval is expected by the end of October. Current project appropriations are \$500,000, funded with General Purpose Revenue. If approved total approved project funding will be \$10,500,000. Total project costs are estimated at \$75,500,000. Additional funding for construction will be included in future years' Operational Plans in the County Health Complex Fund, pending identification by HHSA. Design is estimated to begin October 2022 and estimated to be completed Fall of 2023. There will be no change in General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

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

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

12. **SUBJECT: REGISTRAR OF VOTERS - MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO SPECIAL DISTRICT BOARDS AND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS AND POST VACANCIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

Special district and community planning group elections are consolidated with the November 8, 2022 Statewide General Election. When the number of candidates for office on a special district board or community planning group does not exceed the number of positions to be filled, the Board of Supervisors (Board) must appoint the candidates for these offices in lieu of conducting an election. When there are fewer candidates than the number of positions available, the Board also has the responsibility to fill the vacancies by appointing individuals who are nominated by the Supervisors of the applicable districts. (See Elections Code Section 10515; and Board of Supervisors policies 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 I-1 (Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures)).

Today's action requests the Board to appoint nominees to designated positions and to accept the list of remaining vacancies requiring appointments pursuant to Elections Code Section 10515.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Appoint the nominees to designated positions in the specific special districts and community planning groups in which there are candidates, but the number of candidates equals or is less than the number of positions to be filled (Attachment A).
2. Accept the list of vacancies requiring appointment and direct the Clerk of the Board to post the vacancy listings and notify the special districts and the community planning groups of these vacancies (Attachment B).

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

A person's participation on local boards can influence policy, which in turn impacts their environment, health, and quality of life. The Registrar of Voters' conduct of fair, accurate, and transparent election processes allow all eligible citizens to have a part in matters that affect them.



## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

A person's participation on local boards can have a direct influence on the sustainability of their neighborhood, community and local region. The recommended action today aligns with the Governance lens of sustainability and the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this request. 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

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

13. **SUBJECT: BIENNIAL REVIEW OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES-  
APPROVAL OF FIRST BATCH OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE  
AMENDMENTS RECEIVED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20, 2022:  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than city agencies, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, per Government Code Section 82011. Pursuant to Government Code Section 87306.5, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors coordinated, on behalf of the Board, the Biennial Review of Conflict of Interest Codes for all County Departments and local agencies. The recommended action would approve the proposed amendments to the Conflict of Interest codes as received through September 20, 2022 from respective agencies as part of the Biennial Review of Conflict of Interest Codes.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the amended Conflict of Interest Codes adopted by the following agencies (Attachment A):

- Brookfield Engineering Science Technology Academy
- Cabrillo Point Academy
- Fallbrook Regional Health District
- Fallbrook Union High School District
- Grossmont Union High School District
- Health Sciences High and Middle College, Inc
- High Tech High
- Lakeside Fire Protection District
- Leucadia Wastewater District
- Metropolitan Transit System (MTS)



- North County Fire Protection District
- Olivenhain Municipal Water District
- Pacific Coast Academy
- Rainbow Municipal Water District
- San Dieguito Water District
- San Marcos Unified School District
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
- Santee School District
- South Bay Union School District
- The Learning Choice Academy
- Vista Fire Protection District

### **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 policies 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 and as such must provide transparent bias-free decision-making. The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than city agencies, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. Under the California Political Reform Act, a public official has a disqualifying conflict of interest in a governmental decision if it is foreseeable that the decision will have a financial impact on their personal finances or other financial interests. In such cases, there is a risk of biased decision-making that could sacrifice the public's interest in favor of the official's private financial interests. To avoid actual bias or the appearance of possible improprieties, the public official is prohibited from participating in the decision.

The recommended action would approve the submitted Conflict of Interest codes. The Conflict of Interest codes in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide transparency and accountability to individual residents, ensuring equitable operations of the government that are free from undue influence.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Under the Political Reform Act, all public agencies are required to adopt a Conflict of Interest code that designates positions that are required to file the Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). Conflict of Interest codes must be maintained as updated and accurate to ensure that necessary public officials report their personal financial interests. These required filings provide public transparency about possible conflicts of interest and to ensure governmental decisions are made in the best interest of the public. This board letter supports the County of San Diego's sustainability goal of, "Engaging the community to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities and transparently share results of outcomes."

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The funding source for administration of this task is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Adopted Budget for the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

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

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

**14. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE CONTINUANCE OF TELECONFERENCED PUBLIC MEETINGS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On February 14, 2020, the San Diego County Public Health Officer issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 101080. Additionally, on that day, pursuant to California Government Code 8630, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), serving as the County of San Diego (County) Director of Emergency Services and as the Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding COVID-19.

The County continues to make significant efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Today's actions request the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to adopt a resolution authorizing continuance of teleconferenced public meetings using simplified procedures. The Board will need to review and renew the findings at least every 30 days if it wishes to continue the authorization of teleconferenced public meetings using the simplified procedures. This action will also continue the County's commitment to transparency, open government, and the removal of traditional barriers to access and participation in government affairs.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)****CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Adopt a resolution entitled: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUANCE OF TELECONFERENCED PUBLIC MEETINGS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

To continue the County's commitment to transparency and open government and remove traditional barriers to access and participation in government affairs, today's actions provide the mechanism to continue teleconferenced public meetings which will have a positive impact on the lives of Black, Indigenous, People of color, women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, the LGBTQ community, and economically disadvantaged.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to adopt a resolution for the continuation of teleconferenced public meetings can positively impact different aspects pertaining to sustainability (environment, economic, social and health/well-being). The proposed action aligns with the County of San Diego sustainability goals to reduce pollution, engage the community in meaningful ways, and provide just and equitable access to County services, policymaking, and resource allocation.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed action. 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 Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 22-154, entitled: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUANCE OF TELECONFERENCED PUBLIC MEETINGS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953.

AYES: Vargas, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher

NOES: Anderson, 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," and 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."

**RECOMMENDATION(S)****CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

Re-appoint Judith Yates to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat 16, for a term to expire April 21, 2024

Appoint Janessa Goldbeck to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat 15, for a term to expire April 6, 2024.

**SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

Re-appoint PETE LIEBIG to the LAKESIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, Seat No. 4 for a term to begin December 2, 2022 and expire December 4, 2026.

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Appoint Connie Cepeda to the COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP ADMINISTERING BOARD, Seat No. 10, for a term to expire October 25, 2025.

Appoint Hilary Ward to the COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP ADMINISTERING BOARD, Seat No. 11, for a term to expire October 25, 2025.

Appoint Michael Calderwood to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 13, for a term to expire May 8, 2024.

Appoint Harry Muns to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 14, for a term to expire May 8, 2024.

Re-appoint Estella De Los Rios to the LEON L. WILLIAMS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, Seat No. 11 for a term to expire September 15, 2024.

Re-appoint George Khoury to the LEON L. WILLIAMS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, Seat No. 16 for a term to expire October 13, 2024.

Re-appoint Julia Legaspi to the LEON L. WILLIAMS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, Seat No. 13 for a term to expire October 13, 2024.

Re-appoint Sarah Farouq to the LEON L. WILLIAMS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, Seat No. 14 for a term to expire October 13, 2024.

Re-appoint Pedro Anaya to the LEON L. WILLIAMS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, Seat No. 15 for a term to expire October 13, 2024.

#### **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.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego has over one hundred boards, commissions, committees, and task forces that serve as voice in the County government. Advisory bodies are an essential role in resident engagement that allow citizens to participate on issues relating to the welfare and quality of life in the County. They are fundamental to the County of San Diego's ability to navigate complex and dynamic policy challenges, are a conduit to the County Bureaucracy, and a broker to community voice. This board letter supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No.1 by "encourag[ing] people and diverse stakeholders to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities."

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

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

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

**SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

This board letter is a list of documents received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and/or Board of Supervisors from other entities, other county departments, the public, and internal documents presented to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or the Board of Supervisors. This contributes to the overall sustainability of the county by engaging the community in meaningful ways and promote an environment that provides equitable access opportunities for public engagement.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

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

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

**17. SUBJECT: HONORING OUR HEROES: SAN DIEGO REGIONAL  
FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL AT WATERFRONT PARK  
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego should erect a memorial that will be a lasting tribute to firefighters who have paid the ultimate sacrifice to the greater San Diego community. Not only do these memorials provide a visual appreciation for the service firefighters provide, but these memorials also provide community members and families with a physical location to gather, reflect, and remember.



Waterfront Park at the County Administration Center has a Law Enforcement Memorial, which serves as a place of reflection and introspection by the law enforcement community. The San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial at Waterfront Park would be designed to provide a similar space for firefighters to remember those individuals lost in the line of duty.

Today's action begins the process of establishing the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial at Waterfront Park. I am proposing to seed the planning efforts with resources from my Community Enhancement Program budget toward the San Diego County Department of Parks and Recreation, for preliminary planning and conceptual design of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial with the intent that philanthropic and private stakeholders will be recruited to assume the costs associated with project construction. This action also establishes a Working Group to provide input on the design process, as well as assist with fundraising. Staff should return to the Board of Supervisors with design suggestions, along with recommendations on suitable locations within Waterfront Park, within 180 days.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to:

1. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) for preliminary planning and conceptual design of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial.
2. Transfer appropriations of \$10,000 in the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900), Services and Supplies to the County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation (Org 52811) based on existing Transient Occupancy Tax Revenue for preliminary planning and conceptual design of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial.
3. Identify potential suitable location(s) at Waterfront Park for the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial, including any design suggestions and necessary considerations around security and logistics for Waterfront Park events, and return to the Board of Supervisors within 180 days with location(s).
4. Establish the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial Working Group, which shall include representatives from CAL FIRE/County Fire and DPR, among others, to provide input on the design, location, and names to be placed upon the Firefighter Memorial, to be convened by Chair Nathan Fletcher.
5. Develop an appropriate design process that will guide the design of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial, ensure the design aligns with the existing Law Enforcement Memorial at Waterfront Park, and consult the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial Working Group. Return with design suggestions within 180 days.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

More than 80 percent of the San Diego County Fire Protection District jurisdictional area qualifies as a disadvantaged unincorporated community. Furthermore, 79 percent of the unincorporated area in San Diego County is designated as a High or Very High Fire Hazard

Severity Zone. Recent catastrophic wildfires in San Diego County and throughout California put more and more firefighters in harm's way. The action to build a San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial will raise awareness of the significant mental and physical service of firefighters, as well as address the continued need for community education and resources to prevent rural and suburban fires that might lead to firefighter injury or death.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to create the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal to 'Engage the Community.' Extensive community engagement through an advisory group comprised of persons with firefighting experience is a major component of the project.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the allocation of \$10,000 to support recommendations 1 and 2 are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900). The funding source is Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues.

There will be future fiscal impacts based on future design recommendations, final construction, and ongoing costs associated with maintenance and security. The construction of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial will be funded by philanthropic donations. Once the Memorial is constructed, there will also be some ongoing costs associated with maintenance and security. Funding for the ongoing costs will need to be identified. The Department of Parks and Recreation will monitor its budget and return to the Board with mid-year action to adjust the budget as necessary and/or incorporate future budgets as funding becomes available. At this time, there is no impact to net General Fund costs, and there will be no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

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

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

18. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:**  
**SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: SAN**  
**DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES**  
**CHANGES PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 177 (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

On October 11, 2022 (08), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on October 25, 2022.

Effective January 1, 2022, California Assembly Bill (AB) 177 rescinds the authority of counties and state agencies to collect specific criminal administrative fees. Additionally, the unpaid balance related to administrative fees of any court-imposed costs for these specified sections is unenforceable and uncollectable, and any portion of a judgment imposing those costs shall be vacated. Today's action seeks Board of Supervisors (Board) approval to amend Articles XX and XXV of the San Diego County Administrative Code to reflect the County of San Diego's implementation of, and to be consistent with, the provisions of AB 177. As of January 1, 2022, County departments ended the assessment of administrative fees as required by AB 177. The proposed changes to the San Diego County Administrative Code delete the references to County administrative fees which County departments no longer assess pursuant to the changes in state law.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Submit the Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (Second Reading):  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE,  
RELATING TO CRIMINAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.**

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed amendments to the San Diego County Administrative Code will align with changes to state law to end the assessment and collection of specific criminal administrative fees. According to a report by the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights, the average debt incurred by defendants for court-ordered fines and fees was roughly equal to the annual income for many survey respondents.

Another national survey of formerly incarcerated people found that families often bear the burden of criminal administrative fees, and that 83 percent of the people responsible for paying these costs are women. Because these fees are often assigned to people who cannot afford to pay them, they exacerbate poverty and limit economic opportunities among low-income individuals in our justice system. Community engagement occurred through advocacy during the state legislative process. These actions to implement changes already passed through state law are anticipated to remove barriers to long-term success for individuals impacted by criminal justice administrative fees.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The implementation of an Ordinance amending the San Diego County Administrative Code contributes to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals of providing just and equitable access to County services and transitioning to a green and carbon-free economy. Aligning the San Diego County Administrative Code with existing state law enables County programs, operations, and contracts to reflect the values of equity and sustainability set forth by the California State Legislature. Specifically, the proposed Ordinance reflects recognition of the economic impacts of criminal administrative fees and will remove barriers to economic opportunity for justice-involved individuals. Moreover, research shows that criminal administrative fees are difficult to collect and typically cost counties almost as much or more than they collect in revenue. Therefore, removing these fees from the San Diego County

Administrative Code helps the County of San Diego transition to a green, carbon-free economy by working toward a circular economy, promoting sustainable collection of County revenue, and investing in the economic resilience of communities disproportionately affected by criminal administrative fees.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The proposal to amend the San Diego County Administrative Code pursuant to California Assembly Bill (AB) 177, effective January 1, 2022, will result in reduced revenue of approximately \$1,450,000 for County departments as follows: Contribution for Trial Courts (\$650,000), Sheriff's Department (\$600,000) and Auditor and Controller - Revenue & Recovery (\$200,000). Reduced revenue is related to court-imposed administrative fees deemed unenforceable and uncollectable as well as any prior outstanding balances. The State Legislature allocated \$25 million in Fiscal Year 2021-22, and an additional \$50 million in Fiscal Year 2022-23 and each year thereafter, to be distributed to counties to backfill lost revenues. AB 199 defines the method of distributing these statewide funds. The State of California Director of Finance must release the county allocation schedule no later than October 1, 2022. If additional actions are required in Fiscal Year 2022-23 to adjust budgeted resources and operations, staff will return to the Board.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, adopting Ordinance No. 10810 (N.S.), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO CRIMINAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.

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

19. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
COMMUNITY INPUT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 ANNUAL PLAN  
DEVELOPMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK  
GRANT, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS, HOUSING  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS AND EMERGENCY  
SOLUTIONS GRANT; ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN  
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT  
AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUNDS, AND  
AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF NOTICES OF FUNDING  
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County), as a recipient of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development entitlement program funding, is required to develop a five-year Consolidated Plan for long term planning purposes and is also required to develop an Annual Plan in the spring of each year to identify specific projects to be funded during the upcoming



fiscal year. Administered by the Health and Human Services Agency, Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS), funds from four federal entitlement programs including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) support a wide variety of housing and community development activities in the region.

The Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Plan Strategy was presented to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) on October 19, 2021 (13), the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Plan was presented to the Board on April 5, 2022 (3).

During the development of the Annual Plan, the County opens a public comment period and holds a public meeting to obtain resident input as part of the Needs Assessment Stage. As part of this needs assessment, residents identify priorities for federal entitlement programs such as CDBG, which are considered when identifying projects for funding in the Annual Plan. As the program administrator, HCDS holds two public hearings per year to receive citizens' views and respond to proposals and questions. Today's hearing serves as the first hearing of the program year. It provides an opportunity for the Board to receive public comment, guiding the draft Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Plan development.

In addition, today's action also requests the Board adopt a resolution for authority to apply for, accept, and administer State ESG funds. The State ESG program provides funding for emergency shelter and rapid re-housing programs, which serve persons who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness. If successful, the County is estimated to receive an allocation of up to \$500,000 in ESG funds from the State of California.

This item supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as the ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe and thriving communities by ensuring low-income residents have access to suitable living environments and enhancing the quality of life for residents by encouraging decent and affordable housing. Additionally, this item aligns to the County's Framework for Ending Homelessness by securing annual funding that creates permanent affordable and emergency housing options for San Diego's most vulnerable residents. Today's action also supports the Board's Framework for Our Future by targeting key priorities by investing in historically disadvantaged communities and creating parks and green spaces.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Hold this public hearing to receive public input on housing and community development needs and approve the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Plan Strategy.
2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE 2022-23 FUNDING YEAR OF THE STATE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM, CONTINUUM OF CARE ALLOCATION NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY.



3. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to apply for State of California ESG grant funds of up to \$500,000.
4. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, in consultation with the Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to accept, if awarded, State of California ESG grant funds, and issue Notices of Funding Availability; publish notices; award contracts; execute agreements; amend existing contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding; execute certification forms; prepare and execute all necessary documents for the submittal, regulatory processing and program implementation; and take any other actions necessary as required by the State of California for projects funded with State of California ESG program funds.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego (County) is an entitlement jurisdiction from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As an entitlement jurisdiction, the Health and Human Services Agency, Housing and Community Development Services must hold community forums in eligible jurisdictions. This process ensures voices from the community, including low-income and historically underrepresented residents, express their community's needs. Every five years, the County develops a Consolidated Plan that identifies the priorities and needs of the community. Forums for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-24 Consolidated Plan were held throughout the San Diego County unincorporated area as well as in central San Diego County. The input and data collected from the community forums guide the County's strategy to utilize its entitlement funds most equitably. The Annual Plan Strategy is aligned to key Consolidated Plan goals prioritizing affordable housing, homelessness, community infrastructure, and housing for individuals living with HIV/AIDS.

Data collected during the FY 2020-24 Consolidated Plan found that approximately 61% of low-income households in the County's jurisdiction are housing-cost burdened. Nearly 40% of all households experience housing problems, such as overcrowding or nonfunctional utilities.

Additionally, data found that 13,643 residents are living with HIV/AIDS in the county. There are about 15 new cases for every 100,000 people every year. Additionally, approximately a quarter of the county's population with a disability live under 125% of the Federal Poverty Level. Furthermore, feedback through community workshops, stakeholder consultations, public comment periods, and formal public hearings all identified affordable housing, and homeless and supportive services as the top two priorities.

The FY 2023-24 Annual Plan Strategy outlines the County's priorities on how it plans to use its entitlement programs to narrow the gap in housing and services for these populations. Today's action ensures compliance with federal requirements that will allow the County to continue utilizing more than \$11.7 million in HUD funding annually to serve historically vulnerable populations.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed actions to receive public input on the Annual Plan Strategy and authorize the application for State Emergency Solutions Grant funding aligns with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals, particularly through creating meaningful community engagement forums and ensuring equitable access to County services. In terms of

sustainability in equity and the economy, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development entitlement program funding supports socioeconomically disadvantaged residents and groups historically impacted by housing affordability and homelessness. Additionally, community feedback is gathered from people with lived experience of homelessness, low- and moderate-income households experiencing hardship, and organizations who work to reduce barriers to housing and increase access to supportive services. These programs create further opportunities to promote equitable investments in San Diego County neighborhoods.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

##### ***Recommendation #1 (Annual Plan Strategy)***

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

##### ***Recommendations #2, #3 and #4 (Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG))***

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-24 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If awarded and approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of up to \$500,000 in Fiscal Year 2022-23. The funding source is State Emergency Solutions Grant funds. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

Projects that are funded through the Annual Plan process will positively impact the business community, as some of the recommended projects involve construction that will be implemented by private firms selected through competitive bid processes. Additionally, Annual Plan projects ensure economic stability for much of the region's workforce through affordable housing, community infrastructure, and public services.

#### **ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors closed the Hearing and took action as recommended, adopting Resolution No. 22-155, entitled: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE 2022 23 FUNDING YEAR OF THE STATE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM, CONTINUUM OF CARE ALLOCATION NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY.

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

20. **SUBJECT: A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO THE OPIOID CRISIS AND ADOPTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY OPIOID SETTLEMENT FRAMEWORK (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The nation is in the grip of an opioid crisis. Drug overdose deaths have increased year-over-year, with 71 percent of drug overdose deaths caused by opioids. In 2021, more than 900 San Diegans died from opioid-related accidental overdoses, a 54 percent increase

from the previous year. These deaths are a result of both legally prescribed opioids and illicit opioids including heroin and fentanyl. The County of San Diego (County) has a responsibility to respond to the opioid crisis and take all reasonable steps possible to stem the loss of life and heal those who have developed a related substance use disorder.

According to the U.S Department of Justice, the opioid crisis we face today is the result of actions by particular opioid pharmaceutical companies, manufacturers, and illegal distributors who have flooded the medical and street marketplaces with their products. In response to an epidemic of addiction and related deaths from prescribed opioids, jurisdictions throughout the nation brought forward litigation to remediate opioid addictions and harms. The County is a party to these lawsuits and is expected to receive tens of millions of dollars in settlement funds to address the local opioid crisis. Judicious use of these funds has the potential to stem the opioid crisis and hopefully reverse these alarming trends.

To prepare for the allocation of these funds, we convened opioid experts and community stakeholders including representatives from the medical community, hospitals, first responders, social justice and equity advocates, drug treatment specialists, law enforcement, city officials, and others. These convenings focused on topics relating to healthcare integration in both our health systems and jail systems, harm reduction, and social supports and services. Key themes arose from the convenings centered around the need for care coordination, cultural competency, stigma reduction, community-based organization and first responder support, the building of housing, creating a robust workforce to treat and assist patients, and addressing health disparities.

The key themes that emerged from the three convenings, as well as community and interdepartmental surveys, have been utilized to develop a proposed "Opioid Settlement Framework," which is included as Attachment A. This Framework presents evidence-based strategies to spend the expected opioid settlement funds that advance solutions in the sectors of healthcare integration, harm reduction, and social supports and services. We propose rapid implementation of these strategies, including Emergency Department relay model, overdose prevention, public health messaging, drug disposal bags, Buprenorphine induction initiative, and program administration, to begin healing the damage done by the opioid crisis. The County, with the goal of acting swiftly to match the urgency of the situation, should find solutions to invest in this framework as quickly as possible in anticipation of receipt of the settlement funds. We implore your support.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER AND SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

1. Pursuant to Government Code section 26227, find that the proposed Opioid Settlement Framework set forth in Attachment A is necessary to meet the social needs of the County's population.
2. Adopt the Opioid Settlement Framework in Attachment A.
3. Authorize the Auditor & Controller to establish a trust fund for the Opioid Settlement Framework with interest earnings allocated and distributed to the trust fund.

4. Direct the CAO to implement, when opioid settlement funds are available, the programs and services outlined in the Opioid Settlement Framework that are deemed consistent with the terms of the applicable settlement agreements.
5. Establish appropriations of \$9,600,000 in the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Services & Supplies, for purposes of implementing the Opioid Settlement Framework, including the Emergency Department relay, overdose prevention, public health messaging, delivery of drug disposal bags to all households in the County, and program administration activities, based on Opioid Settlement funds. **(4 VOTES)**
6. Establish appropriations of \$400,000 in the San Diego County Fire - Emergency Medical Services, Services & Supplies, for purposes of implementing the Opioid Settlement Framework, specifically the Buprenorphine Induction Initiative, based on Opioid Settlement funds. **(4 VOTES)**
7. Authorize the CAO subject to the availability of funds, to execute funding agreements and any other documents necessary for the implementation of the Opioid Settlement Framework.
8. Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, subject to the availability of funds and upon successful negotiations and determination of fair and reasonable price, to award contracts and to amend existing contracts for purposes of implementing the Opioid Settlement Framework.
9. Direct the CAO to report back to the Board on the status of implementation of the Opioid Settlement Framework within 180 days after receipt of settlement funds.
10. Receive the Report in Attachment B titled "Opioid Settlement Framework: Community Engagement Summary and Opportunities for Utilizing Funds."

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Social determinants of health, or the conditions in which people live, work, learn, and play, can contribute to health inequities and result in an intergenerational risk for substance use and overdose. The socioeconomic status of an individual and other related factors can increase the risk for substance use and abuse. In addition, opioid use and death among historically underserved population groups is on the rise. The adoption of the Opioid Settlement Framework is an opportunity to address inequitable investment of resources and help those whose social determinants of health puts them at higher risks of harm related to opioid use.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Adopting the Opioid Settlement Framework and expeditiously investing in the identified programs and services will create positive social and economic enhancements, contributing to the overall sustainability of the region by providing support for the most vulnerable members of our community and for those who are suffering from opioid-related harms. This action can help create a healthier, stronger, and more resilient San Diego.



## **FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, today's actions would result in estimated costs and revenue of \$14,600,000 in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and \$400,000 in the San Diego County Fire - Emergency Medical Services in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23. The funding sources are Opioid Settlement funds estimated at \$10,000,000 and over-realized revenue generating anticipated fund balance in HHSA of \$5,000,000. In HHSA, it is estimated that the \$14,600,000 would be distributed as follows in FY 2022-23: \$8,000,000 for delivery of drug disposal bags to all households in the County; \$2,400,000 for Public Health messaging; \$2,200,000 for overdose prevention activities; \$1,600,000 for implementation of an Emergency Department relay; and \$400,000 for program administration. In the San Diego County Fire - Emergency Medical Services, funding estimated at \$400,000 would be used for implementation of the Buprenorphine Induction Initiative. Cost estimates would be refined and might shift among categories as more information is gathered.

The first settlement distribution payment is anticipated by the end of November and is expected to be \$4,083,582. Additionally, the County expects to receive the next annual settlement payment before the end of the current fiscal year. After that second payment, the County should receive 16 additional payments from the settlement on an annual basis, and annual amounts while anticipated to be similar to the first payment, are subject to change. It is also anticipated that payments related to other settlements could be received during FY 22-23. Today's action would appropriate estimated funding of \$10,000,000 to be received in the current fiscal year and utilize fund balance anticipated in HHSA, to make \$15,000,000 immediately available as needed to begin immediate one-time ramp up and implementation activities as outlined in the Opioid Settlement Framework. Implementation of Phase I programs would be scaled in size to manage to available resources, with a recognition that these are one-time funds over a finite number of years. As the County is notified of any other settlement awards and distributions, additional programs from Phase I would be implemented, eventually moving to implementation of Phase II programs as funding allows. Throughout implementation of the Opioid Settlement Framework, programs in the Framework will be scaled to meet available revenues and priorities.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

## **ACTION:**

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

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

21. **SUBJECT: DEVELOPING A HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM  
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The San Diego County (County) Board of Supervisors continues to address the regional homelessness and housing crisis with unprecedented commitment and resources. As we



continue to make historic investments to address this matter at all levels of county government, there is a need for resource optimization to identify the most effective avenues for critical resource distribution.

The best way to tackle the homelessness crisis is to prevent individuals from being homeless in the first place. Every person who remains housed, is one less person living on the street, in a car, or in a shelter. The Homeless Prevention Program, as described in this board letter, would help accomplish just that.

Predictive analytics that leverages a comprehensive integrated data system would enable the County to address homelessness before it begins. Existing programs often rely on varying entities for referrals to individuals most in need of resources to avoid homelessness. But many individuals in need might never receive the resources before they slip through the cracks. While these programs are successful in assisting many, a predictive model would allow the County to be proactive to discover who is eligible for various support programs.

This new program may also proactively and strategically keep hard working individuals in their homes and out of homelessness. This approach builds on successful implementation of a similar research-backed predictive model implemented in Los Angeles County, which has found a way to predict who is at the highest risk of homelessness, often before an individual recognizes their own vulnerability.

The County of San Diego can follow suit and implement such a program. We anticipate that, based on initial research, we would need to determine which departments and data points should be included in the integrated system. As the predictive risk assessment is created, it might also identify external data points (i.e. Homelessness Management Information System, Health Information Exchange, etc.) that should be included in the integrated system as well. Once it is known which departments are necessary for the success of the program, the Chief Evaluation Officer, along with other pertinent staff members, could then work to centralize necessary data into one system. This central point of entry for program staff is where the risk assessment could be utilized, and a determination made, to identify who might be most at risk for homelessness. Program staff could then use the identified list of individuals to provide resources, such as a case management plan, connection to services, or providing funds. This program is not intended to replace any existing program or funding model, but rather to streamline and predict who might most be in need of support to prevent homelessness.

Today's actions include directions to the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a strategy to integrate different county department data points into an integrated data system and develop the Homeless Prevention Program, including a risk assessment to determine who may be most at risk of homelessness. Finally, to best implement this preventative program a Homelessness Prevention Unit is proposed to be created within the Department of Homelessness Solutions and Equitable Communities.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to:

1. Develop a comprehensive integrated data system that can link and centralize multiple data points, both internal and external, into one system in which individual-level data would be anonymized after being linked. This system should include necessary county program participant information from relevant departments. Relevant departments might include but are not limited to: Department of Environmental Health Quality; Sheriff's Department; Probation; Aging & Independence Services; Behavioral Health Services; Child Welfare Services; Eligibility Operations; Homeless Solutions & Equitable Communities; and Housing & Community Development Services. Return back to the Board with an implementation strategy for creating this system within 180 days, including an assessment of potential legal, operational, and technological challenges, along with funding needs, any necessary departmental operational changes, and an assessment of potential system uses beyond the homelessness risk assessment, which is the subject of this board letter.
2. Research and develop an implementation strategy for the creation of the Homeless Prevention Program which is a homelessness risk assessment model, along with the specified department data points that would be necessary for the successful implementation and execution of this model.
3. Create a Homeless Prevention Unit within the Office of Homelessness Solutions to assist with internal communication and coordination needed among departments as well as conduct direct outreach to individuals determined by the model to be at risk of homelessness.
4. Assess the costs of establishing the integrated data system, along with ongoing costs associated with maintaining its integrity, and identify potential funding sources.
5. Identify current funding sources that could be used, or funding needed, to support the Homelessness Prevention Program.

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

According to the Regional Task Force on Homelessness, the 2022 Point-in-Time Count identified a minimum of 8,427 people who said they were unsheltered or in shelters throughout the county. Of those who were unsheltered, 58 percent reported having a disability and 25 percent were 55 years or older. People of color are disproportionately impacted among those experiencing homelessness, with 27 percent identifying as Black or African American-roughly five times the proportion of African Americans in the region, and 3 percent identified as American Indian or Alaska Native-which is nearly three times the proportion in the region. Through this Homeless Prevention Program, the County will work with people at-risk of or experiencing homelessness, impacted residents, community partners, and other key stakeholders to ensure racial and social equity is front and center of all aspects of homelessness prevention programming.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to prevent homelessness by utilizing a predictive risk assessment through combined data from County departments contributes to many of the County Sustainability Goals, specifically, to provide just and equitable access as well as to protect health and well-being. This proposed action will impact the communities and socio-economic groups most at risk of homelessness who have been historically burdened by factors often outside of their control, which supports sustainability in equity, economy, and health or wellbeing.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's action. There will be future fiscal impacts based on recommendations resulting from today's action, for which staff will return to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) with recommendations for consideration and approval. Funding for future costs will need to be identified by the departments and will proceed once identified. The departments will monitor their budgets and return to the Board with mid-year action to adjust the budget as necessary and/or incorporate future budgets as funding becomes available. At this time, there will be no change in net General Fund and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

The homelessness and housing affordability crises remain not only a threat to hard-working families living paycheck to paycheck, but also remains a threat to businesses. Healthier and more prosperous employees will yield greater success for our businesses and our economy. Suggested rewrite: Investing in initiatives that prevent homelessness will have multiple benefits for individuals and families, and for local communities and businesses, with clear benefits for our economy as a whole. Keeping more working families in their homes stands to benefit them and our regional economy long term.

## **ACTION:**

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

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

## **22. SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ANNUAL UPDATE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) provides funding to counties to address a broad continuum of mental health service needs, including prevention, early intervention, and system development; and to address the necessary infrastructure, technology, and training to effectively support the public mental health system. MHSA programs provide services for children, youth, and families; transition age youth; adults; and older adults, with an emphasis on individuals who are unserved or underserved. MHSA is comprised of five components:

- Community Services and Supports,
- Prevention and Early Intervention,
- Innovation,

- Workforce Education and Training, and
- Capital Facilities and Technological Needs.

MHSA provides funding for critical programs that serve individuals with serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, supporting some of San Diego County's most vulnerable populations and providing funding for previously unserved populations. MHSA supports timely access to quality behavioral health care that is responsive to cultural and linguistic needs. In support of the MHSA vision - to build a system in which mental health services are equitable, regionally distributed, and accessible to all individuals and families within the region who are in need - the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) is spearheading work to proactively address and identify unmet behavioral health needs within the region, and the systemic and regional inequities that lead to these unmet needs.

BHS is in the third year of implementing the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan: Fiscal Years (FY) 2020-21 through 2022-23 (Three-Year Plan), approved by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) on October 27, 2020 (7). The MHSA FY 2022-23 Annual Update (Annual Update) presented today includes budget and programmatic changes to the Three-Year Plan. The majority of services outlined in the Annual Update are a continuation of programs previously approved by the Board in the Three-Year Plan. As mandated by the MHSA, the Three-Year Plan and subsequent Annual Updates require approval by the Board prior to submission to the California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

Today's action requests the Board receive and approve the Annual Update, which includes MHSA funding of approximately \$230.2 million in FY 2022-2023, inclusive of \$400,000 dedicated to the California Mental Health Services Authority, to continue participation in statewide prevention and early intervention campaigns and local initiatives.

Today's proposed actions support the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically unserved and underserved as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego*-of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by enhancing access to behavioral health services, promoting well-being in children, adults, and families, and encouraging self-sufficiency.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Receive and approve the MHSA FY 2022-23 Annual Update (Annual Update) and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to submit the Annual Update to the California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The vision of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) is to build a system in which mental health services are equitable, regionally distributed, and accessible to all individuals and families within the region who are in need. MHSA funding provides individuals who are experiencing serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance with timely access to



quality behavioral health care that is responsive to their cultural and linguistic needs. Programs funded through MHSA are designed to serve individuals of all ages, particularly the County's most vulnerable, unserved, and underserved low-income populations, such as individuals experiencing homelessness, LGBTQIA+, Black Indigenous and People of Color, children who are commercially sexually exploited, youth and adults with justice-involvement, transition age youth, and people with complex behavioral health needs.

In support of these efforts, the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) employs a population health approach, driven by evidence-based practices and robust data analysis, to design services that are impactful, equitable, and geographically accessible. The needs of the community are at the forefront at this work and community engagement is a fundamental component of MHSA. BHS solicits input from the community, stakeholders, consumers, family members, community-based providers, and healthcare organizations through formal and informal convenings, along with cross-collaboration with other County departments and community partners.

Additionally, through the establishment of the Community Experience Partnership, in collaboration with the University of California San Diego, and the recent launch of the Behavioral Health Equity Index, BHS is leading the development of a tool for measuring behavioral health equity to inform program planning, siting of services, and allocation of resources to support the most critical community needs.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) programs support the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access through the regional distribution of services that allows chronically underserved communities and individuals with behavioral health conditions to receive care in close proximity to where they live. Services are provided at numerous County locations, as well as through community-based providers to ensure care is geographically dispersed throughout the region.

Additionally, MHSA programs support Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community in meaningful ways and continually seek stakeholder input to foster inclusive and sustainable communities. MHSA provides services to children, youth, and families, transition age youth, adults, and older adults in a community-centric approach taking into consideration language and cultural barriers to ensure equitable access for those in need of behavioral health services. The MHSA Community Planning Process ensures community voices are considered when undertaking program planning. Furthermore, County Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services is committed to a community-driven equitable distribution of services informed through principles of population health, the Community Experience Partnership and the Behavioral Health Equity Index, as outlined in the Equity Impact Statement.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-24 Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) costs and revenues of approximately \$230.2 million in FY



2022-23, inclusive of \$400,000 dedicated to the California Mental Health Services Authority, to continue participation in statewide prevention and early intervention campaigns and local initiatives. The funding source is MHSA. 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 action as recommended.

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

23. **SUBJECT: RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY TRANSITION, AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS, AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING (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. Over the last six years, federal and State legislation have significantly shifted the statutory requirements for keeping children safely with families. This has resulted in sweeping legislative changes that identify home-based settings with resource families as the best placement option for youth and has reduced the reliance on and use of congregate care.

Subsequently, in response to the changing child welfare landscape, the need to build out a continuum of placement types to meet the unique and diverse needs of youth, and the input collected from the community, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) took actions on January 25, 2022 (19) and approved the continued operations at the Academy, as needed, authorized a competitive solicitation for Resource Family Homes and a Group Home at the Academy campus, authorized a competitive solicitation for Mental Health Services for the Group Home at the campus, and directed 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 and to continue to explore options for a mixed-use campus for a combination of youth.

As a direct result of the Board's actions, the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Child Welfare Services immediately engaged in strategic planning and activities in support of a continuum of placement types that have the potential to coexist on the Academy campus. These placement types include temporary shelter care, home-based care, transitional housing, congregate care and intensive crisis settings. Today's action requests the Board receive an update on the Academy transition. Additionally, it is requested that the Board take the following actions to continue to support implementation of a continuum of care multipurpose campus:

- Authorize competitive solicitations for the Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program and the Transitional Housing Program at the campus.
- Authorize the Agency Director, HHSA, or designee, to apply for future funding to support, enhance, or expand a continuum of placements and services for youth interacting with the child welfare system.

Today's proposed actions support the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by providing a continuum of placements, services, and supports focused on improving equitable outcomes for children and youth interacting with the child welfare system and ensuring transparency, open government, and a participatory approach to best serve the needs of our diverse communities.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Receive the update on the San Pasqual Academy transition.
2. 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 a Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program 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 one year, with four one-year options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contract 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.
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 a Transitional Housing Program 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 one year, with four one-year options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contract 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.
4. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency or designee, to apply for future funding, including grants, supplemental funding and other funding to support, enhance, or expand a continuum of placements and services for youth interacting with the child welfare system.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services (CWS) partners with families and the community to prevent, reduce, and respond to child abuse and maltreatment and enhance family strengthening efforts. The youth who cannot

be safely maintained in their homes with their biological families and enter foster care have often been exposed to severe complex trauma and present with significant mental and behavioral health needs that require more acute and intensive care and interventions. On average, CWS has 1,963 children ages 0-17 in out-of-home care receiving services, supports, and interventions intended to align with the level of care, supervision, and services identified to meet the needs of the child.

CWS is committed to working collaboratively with the community and partners to build system capacity and ensure just and equitable access to a high-quality continuum of care and settings designed to support youth in foster care in the least restrictive environment. CWS will uphold the County's commitment to transparency and open government and with an equity and empowerment lens, continues the participatory approach and engages the community to solicit ideas through every phase of the San Pasqual Academy transition. This meaningful engagement with those most impacted will provide opportunities to continuously identify perceived gaps in the continuum of services and placements, propose recommendations for consideration, and ensure youth in care have access to a robust trauma-informed continuum of care.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The implementation of a continuum of care multipurpose campus to serve youth in foster care will further the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goals of engaging communities in meaningful ways and providing just and equitable access to County services. The expanded continuum of services and placements was designed with input from 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, Child Welfare Services staff, and legal and county partners. As the multipurpose campus will provide a continuum of placements and interventions on-site, it allows for seamless transitions between services. The wider availability and range of services and enhanced coordination of care provided at the campus will increase the County's capacity to provide critical services and supports and improve and sustain the health and well-being of youth in foster care. By investing in the resilience of these youth, the County is strengthening them as individuals, so they can grow into leaders for their families and neighborhoods. A community-centered approach through expanded outreach is essential and will continue throughout all phases of implementation to ensure positive long-term outcomes are achieved.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact in the current year associated with recommendations. It is anticipated that further appropriation and funding will be needed in subsequent years as the campus continues to be built out to accommodate the full range of services. Currently one-time realignment funds are being utilized to fund the residential Group Home component which is not otherwise eligible for federal or State funds. Health and Human Services Agency will continue to pursue federal and State funding sources as available and will include resource needs in future operational plans as funding is identified. Recommendations #2 and #3, will authorize the competitive solicitation of the Transitional Housing Program and

Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program. Funding will be identified and incorporated in future budgets beginning in Fiscal Year 2023-24. It is anticipated that funding sources will be Title IV-E and Realignment. 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 Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

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

**24. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Oscar Sanchez v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 37-2021-00042430-CU-CR-CTL
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Jesus Rodriguez v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 37-2020-00005886-CU-CR-CTL
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Patricia Narciso v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District Court, Southern District of California, Case No. 20cv116-LL-MSB
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
K.J.P., et al. v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District Court, Southern District of California, Case No. 15cv02692-H-MDD
- E. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
County of San Diego v. AmeriSourceBergen Drug Corp., et al.; United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Case No. MDL2804; In re Mallinckrodt PLC, et al., United States Bankruptcy Court, Dist. Delaware, Case No. 20-12522 (JTD)
- F. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code section 54957)  
Title: Chief Administrative Officer

**ACTION:**

Noting for the record that Closed Session matters were heard on October 25, 2022 and October 26, 2022; County Counsel reported that for Closed Session the Board of Supervisors took no reportable actions.

**25. SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)****OVERVIEW**

Bryant Rumbaugh spoke to the Board regarding Board agenda items and public comment.

Mike Borrello spoke to the Board regarding vaccine safety reports.

Mark Dorian spoke to the Board regarding property taxes, Sheriff appointment, and utility rate increases.

Oliver Twist spoke to the Board regarding staff presentation introductions; recommended split screen display of Supervisors and public speakers; include draft of board agenda items.

Consuelo spoke to the Board regarding the Board of Supervisors actions.

Crystal Irving spoke to the Board regarding comments about the recruitment process for the Chief Administrative Officer.

KB Strange spoke to the Board regarding concerns about the negative impacts of marijuana use.

Kathleen Lippitt spoke to the Board regarding concerns about the negative impacts of hemp and marijuana growth.

Barbara Gordon spoke to the Board regarding support of Red Ribbon Week.

Peggy Walker spoke to the Board regarding concerns about illegal marijuana sales.

Audra spoke to the Board regarding Board of Supervisors' past actions.

Terri-Ann Skelly spoke to the Board regarding concerns about marijuana businesses.

Becky Rapp spoke to the Board regarding concerns about the negative impacts of marijuana advertising.

Paul Henkin spoke to the Board regarding concerns about COVID-19 vaccines.

Truth spoke to the Board regarding affordable housing and County grant awards.

Jim Ellis spoke to the Board regarding concerns about the Board of Supervisors' past actions and public comments.



Ann Riddle spoke to the Board regarding concerns about the negative impacts of marijuana businesses on youth.

**ACTION:**

Heard, Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m. in memory of Sally Roush and Mustafa Nizam.

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, November 15, 2022.

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NATHAN FLETCHER  
Chair

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Potter', written over a horizontal line.

ANDREW POTTER  
Clerk of the Board

10/25/2022