

IN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XXX

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AMMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT (ACFD) FOR THE ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE UNIT (ARU) PROGRAM TO EXTEND OPERATIONS THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, AND ADD \$1,096,913 FROM GENERAL FUND BRINGING THE TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT TO \$2,446,913

WHEREAS, the Alternative Response Unit (ARU) is a collaborative pilot program between Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD), the City of San Leandro, Cardea Health, and community providers to more efficiently utilize the relevant health care services to meet the behavioral health and medical needs of the residents of San Leandro and prevent unnecessary hospital admissions and readmissions; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the ARU are to reduce police response to 911 calls related to behavioral health of unhoused residents; deliver an appropriate and timely response to behavioral health calls that meet individual's needs; decrease the number of unnecessary emergency room visits and hospitalizations; and bridge and facilitate service connections for individuals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-106, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with ACFD for the operation of an 18-month pilot program for \$1,350,000 from July 15, 2024 through January 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, ACFD successfully developed and began implementing the program and achieving positive outcomes in the first nine months, including fielding over 1,300 calls, serving 600 unique individuals, following up with more than 3,800 interactions, diverting a significant number of calls from unnecessary ER visits, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is familiar with the contents thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends approval of said amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Leandro does **RESOLVE** as follows:

That said amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and ACFD that extends the period to June 30, 2027 and increases the MOU amount by \$1,096,913 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$2,446,913 is hereby approved and execution by the City Manager is hereby authorized; and

The City Manager is authorized to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to effect the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

Introduced by Councilmember _____ and passed and adopted this 17th day of November 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: ()

NOES: ()

ABSENT: ()

ATTEST: _____
Sarah K. Bunting
Acting City Clerk

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