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RESOLUTION No. 86241 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE ALAMEDA COUNTY HEALTH CARE SERVICES AGENCY, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES (BHCS) AND THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT (OPD) TO CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT THE MOBILE EVALUATION TEAM (MET) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2014, the City Council passed Resolution No. 85200 C.M.S., which authorized the City Administrator to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between BHCS and OPD to implement a Six Month Pilot Program Called the Mobile Evaluation Team (MET); and

WHEREAS, the program functions by pairing an officer trained in crisis intervention strategies with a licensed clinician, to act as a team to respond to calls involving mental illness in the field; and

WHEREAS, the program helps to avoid the use of an expensive and traumatic involuntary psychiatric hospitalization, and instead allows OPD and BHCS to rely upon alternative treatment resources when appropriate; and

WHEREAS, a partnership with BHCS benefits OPD by providing needed crisis, resource and referral services that have the potential to reduce calls for service and may create a safer environment for the officer and clinician responding to calls, through the use of de-escalation and consultation expertise, allowing OPD to focus time and attention on other (non-psychiatric) calls for service; and

WHEREAS, the crisis intervention services provided by the partnership will also enable Alameda County Health Care Services Agency to identify individuals who are already BHCS clients and re-link or re-engage them in treatment services, so as to reduce the number of psychiatric / mental health episodes for these individuals; and

WHEREAS, both BHCS and OPD have found that the MET six month pilot Program has been successful in meeting its proposed goals, and both wish to continue the joint-agency MET Program indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, both BHCS and OPD now wish to also expand the program so that four teams can be established by utilizing four OPD officers and four BHCS clinicians, so as to develop the capacity to respond to a majority of the 5150 calls OPD receives

each day; and

WHEREAS, the estimated annual cost to the City for this program is currently \$169,464 per officer plus \$5,220 per vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the estimated annual cost to the City for an expanded version of four teams is currently \$677,856 per officer plus \$20,880 per vehicle; and

WHEREAS, there are no actual costs to the program, as OPD would still be employing each officer and supporting funding for all related vehicle costs, and these officers would still be responding to all mental health calls with or without a clinician; and

WHEREAS, for each MET team, BHCS will provide one full time equivalent (FTE) licensed clinician, one FTE specialist clerk, and 0.08 FTE Behavior Health Clinical Supervisor, plus all benefits and administrative costs, with a value of \$231,000 per year, at no cost to OPD; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator, or designee, to enter into an MOU with Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, BHCS and OPD, that outlines the obligations and responsibilities regarding the ongoing MET Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances, and documentation required to accept, modify, extend and/or amend the proposed MOU with Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, BHCS and OPD and a copy of the fully executed agreement shall be placed on file with the Office of the City Clerk; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney shall review and approve said proposed MOU with OPD and BHCS, as to form and legality.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, JUN 21 2016

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, and PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY *-8*

NOES - *[Signature]*
ABSENT - *[Signature]*
ABSTENTION - *[Signature]*

ATTEST: *[Signature]*
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California