

  
City Attorney's Office

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT (OPD) AND THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM (NICJR), A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIP COMMITTED TO THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD OPPORTUNITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD DIVERSION PROGRAM (NOAB)**

**WHEREAS**, the Mission of OPD is to provide the people of Oakland with an environment where they can live, work, play, and thrive free from crime and the fear of crime; and

**WHEREAS**, NICJR is a non-profit organization providing technical assistance, consulting, research, and organizational development in the fields of juvenile and criminal justice, youth development, and violence prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, NICJR works to transform the criminal justice system through research, advocacy, and technical assistance, and provides training and policy development with numerous jurisdictions across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, both OPD and NICJR seek to reduce criminal recidivism rates while increasing public safety and positive youth development through the development of a Neighborhood Opportunity and Accountability Board (NOAB) diversion program; and

**WHEREAS**, NOAB is an innovative initiative that ultimately seeks to transform the youth justice system in the United States by empowering youth and community members to determine how youth who commit delinquent acts can be engaged in positive developmental strategies as opposed to relying on punitive, deficit-based practices; and

**WHEREAS**, through this proposed MOU, the NOAB will provide comprehensive intervention services, which will seek to reduce youth delinquency, build community cohesion, decrease justice system costs, and improve police-community relations; and

**WHEREAS**, through case management, mentorship, support services, restorative justice, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, health and wellness support, NICJR

and its partners will seek to reduce recidivism rates while increasing public safety and positive youth development. The parties will work together to develop intervention policies and actions for youth participant's continued participation and success in NOAB.; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 504(l) of the Oakland City Charter requires that the City Council approve all intergovernmental relationships and contracts; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**: that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or designee to enter into an MOU with NICJR to provide comprehensive intervention services through the development of a NOAB; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That this MOU for professional services shall be of a professional, scientific or technical and temporary nature; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: that this MOU shall not result in the loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive service; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the City Administrator or designee is authorized to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances, and documentation required to execute, modify, extend and/or amend the agreements between OPD and the NICJR; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That in accordance with Article IV, Section 401(6) of the City Charter, the City Attorney's Office shall approve the agreements authorized by this resolution as to form and legality before execution, and a copy of the fully executed agreements shall be placed on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO, AND  
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California

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