

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO (A) NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA FOR \$10,000,000 TO PROVIDE SUPPORTED ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE SERVICES TO CITY RESIDENTS TOWARD CONTAINING AND MITIGATING COMMUNITY SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE CITY OF SAN JOSE (ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE SUPPORT PROGRAM) FOR A TERM RETROACTIVE FROM DECEMBER 31, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS; AND (B) ACCEPT \$640,000 FROM THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE MEALS TO NON-SAN JOSE RESIDENTS WHO ARE STAYING IN MOTELS AS PART OF THE COUNTY'S ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE SUPPORT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, on January 24, 2020, the City of San José ("City") initiated its Pandemic Planning efforts as news of an unknown virus originating from the City of Wuhan, China (now identified as SARS-COV-2) causing severe respiratory disease ("COVID-19") was identified in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 3, 2020, the Santa Clara County ("County") Health Officer declared a local health emergency and the County's Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California because of the threat of COVID-19, and the City's Emergency Operation Center ("EOC") was formally activated on March 6, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the County Public Health Officer issued an Order to all residents to shelter in place and businesses to close except for essential activities,

essential services, and governmental services as defined under Section 10 of the Order; and

**WHEREAS**, the City continues to carry out priorities outlined in the COVID-19 Response Roadmap, including delivering essential City services to the community, providing targeted services to unhoused populations, opening additional services and facilities as County and State restrictions allow, and continuing coordination efforts with partner agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 28, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom unveiled a new State “Blueprint for a Safer Economy” to replace the former State County Monitoring List and Variance Processes effective August 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control has updated their guidance on the transmissibility of COVID-19, indicating that persons with mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms can remain infectious for about ten (10) days after symptom onset; persons with more severe to critical illness or severely immunocompromised are likely remain infectious for about twenty (20) days after symptom onset; and recovered persons can continue to shed detectable viral traces in their upper respiratory tract for up to three (3) months after illness onset; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to contain transmission of COVID-19, the County issued guidance on Isolation and Quarantine, with both words meaning staying home, without contact with others, for a certain period of time in order to prevent the spread of disease; and

**WHEREAS**, in August 2020, the County put forth a draft Cost Sharing Agreement to all cities in the County, seeking support in funding the County’s Isolation and Quarantine Program (“Program”), providing cities the opportunity to participate in the Program by paying their fair share of the operating costs under the Program, and on November 3,

2020 the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into a Cost Sharing Agreement with the County for participation in the Program through December 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, this Program aims to make quarantining easier for residents and encourage residents to get tested, by providing more hotel and motel rooms, financial and rental support, and at-home support such as case management and medical support if needed; and

**WHEREAS**, as vaccines continue to make their way into the health system and out to communities, many residents continue to grapple with COVID-19 infections and COVID-19 Testing, Case Contact Tracing and Investigation, and Supported Isolation and Quarantine continue to be the collective COVID-19 response in order to effectively contain the spread of the virus in communities; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2020, the County asked if the City was still interested in participating in the Program, with the County continuing to organize the Program and with the cities that choose to participate in the County's Program funding their fair share of the Program operating costs and the direct costs of providing the Program to their residents; and

**WHEREAS**, since March 16, 2020, the City has provided meals to individuals that have been referred by the County to motel and shelter accommodations to be able to safely shelter-in-place, isolate and/or quarantine, and the City will continue to provide, and the County will pay for, food delivery services for non-City residents that are isolating and quarantining as part of the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to enter into a new Cost Sharing Agreement with the County allowing the City to continue to participate in the Program for the period of December 31, 2020 through June 30, 2021, subject to the appropriation of funds;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE THAT:

The City Manager is authorized to:

- (a) Negotiate and execute a Cost Sharing Agreement with the County of Santa Clara for \$10,000,000 to provide supported isolation and quarantine services to City residents toward containing and mitigating community spread of COVID-19 in the City of San José (Isolation and Quarantine Support Program) for a term retroactive from December 31, 2020 through June 30, 2021; subject to the appropriation of funds; and
- (b) Accept \$640,000 from the County to provide meals to non-San José residents who are staying in motels as part of the County's Isolation and Quarantine Support Program.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

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SAM LICCARDO  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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TONI J. TABER, CMC  
City Clerk