## Before the Board of Supervisors County of Monterey, State of California

Resolution No.: 23-497

Adopting a policy setting forth issues	)
to be considered for inclusion in any	)
County of Monterey contract for	)
emergency ambulance services	)
pursuant to the requirements found in	)
California Health and Safety Code,	)
Division 2.5, Section 1797.230	)

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monterey Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") Agency has been designated as the local emergency medical services agency for the County of Monterey ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of California, by the County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5., Section 1797.200; and

**WHEREAS,** Health and Safety Code Division 2.5, Section 1797.204 requires the local EMS agency to plan, implement, and evaluate an EMS system consisting of an organized pattern of readiness and response services based on public and private agreements and operational procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, the requirements of this resolution are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the County Board of Supervisors, and this resolution shall not alter, modify, abridge, diminish, or enlarge the requirements for creating, establishing, or maintaining an exclusive operating area under Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5 Section 1797.224; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.230, the County Board of Supervisors is required to adopt, by ordinance or resolution, a written policy setting forth issues to be considered for the inclusion in any County contract for emergency ambulance services entered into or renewed on or after January 1, 2022, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.230, a county contract for emergency ambulance services is required to demonstrate that: a) the county contract will provide for the payment of comparable wages and benefits to all ambulance service employees that are generally consistent with those provided to ambulance service employees in the same geographic region, and b) that the staffing levels for ambulance service employees will be comparable to the staffing levels under the County's previous contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors hereby resolves to approve the following policy pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 1797.230:

For any County of Monterey contract for emergency ambulance services, the following items will be considered for inclusion in the contract:

- 1) Employment retention requirements for the employees of the incumbent ambulance service provider,
- 2) Demonstrated experience serving similar populations and geographic areas,
- 3) Diversity and equity efforts addressing the unique needs of vulnerable and undeserved populations of the service area,
- 4) Financial requirements, including requiring a private ambulance service provider to show proof of insurance and bonding,
- 5) A description of the ambulance service provider's public information and education activities and community involvement,

Any County of Monterey contract for emergency ambulance services, shall demonstrate how it provides for the payment of comparable wages and benefits to all ambulance service employees that are generally consistent with those provided to ambulance service employees in the same geographic region; and shall demonstrate that the staffing levels for ambulance service employees will be comparable to the staffing levels under the County of Monterey's previous contract for emergency ambulance services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, Askew, and Adams

NOES: None ABSENT: None

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting December 5, 2023.

Dated: March 5, 2025 File ID: RES 23-208 Agenda Item No.: 38 Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Monterey, State of California

Vicente Ramirez, Deputy