

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

January __, 2023

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 26227 (“Section 26227”) authorizes the Board of Supervisors to expend money from the general fund of the County to establish County programs deemed by the Board of Supervisors to be necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the county, including but not limited to, the areas of health, law enforcement, public safety, rehabilitation, welfare, education, and legal services, and the needs of physically, mentally and financially handicapped persons and aged persons; and

WHEREAS, Section 26227 further authorizes officers and employees to use County resources to carry out any such program established by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the County, through the Health Care Agency (“HCA”) and CEO Real Estate, working in conjunction with a coalition of behavioral health stakeholders, both in the private and public sectors, including CalOptima, hospitals (Memorial Care, and Kaiser Permanente, collectively, “Hospitals”), non-profit, academic and faith-based organizations, have developed a strategy for the planning, construction, entitlement, operation, maintenance and management of a behavioral health service system on County-owned property located at 7800, 7820, 7850, 7880, 7900 and 7950 Marine Way, Irvine (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project is intended to provide the following services and uses, among others, to the public: Wellness and Social Services; Crisis and Stabilization Unit; Substance Use Disorder Intake and Referral; Withdrawal Management; Crisis Residential; and Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Residential Treatment; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2020, the Board of Supervisors approved an Option to Lease with Mind OC, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit formed by the Hospitals, relating to the construction, entitlement, operation, maintenance and management of the Project; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the County's 2016 Strategic Financial Plan, the public serving wellness hub would help the County meet the region's public behavioral and mental health needs through a variety of different means, including programs such as mental health, substance abuse treatment, public health services and education uses; and

WHEREAS, by building collaborative partnerships like that with Mind OC, the Project will play an integral part in fulfilling the County's goal of providing a mental health services for Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Project will assist the County in fulfilling its mission of providing all of the above described services to the residents of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the County intends through this resolution to contribute up to \$40 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding to Mind OC for the pre-construction and construction of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board does hereby:

1. Find that supporting the pre-construction and construction of the Project will support the services offered by HCA, meet the social needs of the population of the County and therefore will further the goals of the County by enhancing HCA's ability to provide mental health services to the residents of Orange County.
2. Authorize the County Executive Officer, or his designee, to negotiate and execute any necessary documents related to the County's contribution of monies of up to \$40 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding to Mind OC for the pre-construction and construction of the Project with the approval of County Counsel as to form.