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November 23, 2022

Honorable Members of the City Council
City of Los Angeles
City Hall, Room 395
Attn: City Clerk

First Amendment to Memorandum of Agreement Between the Los Angeles County
Department of Mental Health and the City of Los Angeles, Acting by and through the
Los Angeles Fire Department – CF 20-1178: Contract C-139192

SUMMARY

Relative to the Motion on September 16, 2020, by (Wesson -Martinez - Harris-Dawson - Blumenfield - Price - O'Farrell - Rodriguez) the agreement (MOA) between the LAFD and the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) for the Therapeutic Transport Pilot Program for a Mental Health Services Pilot Program, the attached MOA is to extend the term of the contract.

This Pilot Program will utilize the DMH therapeutic transport response in conjunction with LAFD's Tiered Dispatch System for calls involving patients with mental health crises, to provide mental health patients with immediate therapeutic support from DMH staff, thereby improving patient care. Patients can then be transported directly to an appropriate mental health facility by the DMH therapeutic transport teams, freeing LAPD and LAFD resources for other emergency calls. This Pilot Program will provide patients experiencing a mental health crisis with immediate access to mental health professionals, greatly enhancing the level of care for this vulnerable population.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached Agreement is hereby transmitted for Council consideration and approval:

- I. Authorizing the LAFD to execute an extension of 6 months, from January 1, 2023, through June 30, 2023, with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health for the purpose of extending the Therapeutic Van Pilot Program as presented in the attached MOA.

Sincerely,

Graham Everett, Deputy Chief
Chief of Staff

Attachment

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND
THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ACTING BY AND THROUGH
THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT**

This First Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement (First Amendment) is made and entered into this 13th day of October 2022 (Effective Date), by and between the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health and the City of Los Angeles, acting by and through the Los Angeles Fire Department (Hereafter Party or Parties).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA or Agreement), effective October 13, 2021, for the purpose of establishing and evaluating a 12-month Therapeutic Transport Pilot Program (Pilot Program), the terms of which are hereby incorporated by reference;

WHEREAS, by the terms of the Agreement, the original 12-month term was to commence upon approval of the Agreement by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles City Council;

WHEREAS, the Pilot Program did not commence until January 2022, over three months after the aforementioned approvals;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to extend the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Section II of the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

II. TERM OF AGREEMENT, AMENDMENT, AND TERMINATION

This MOA shall become effective upon approval of the Los Angeles City Council (C.F. #_____) and the County Board of Supervisors and remain in effect until June 30, 2023, to the extent funds exist to support said Pilot Program. The terms of this MOA may be amended by mutual written agreement of both Parties, and subject to approval of the Los Angeles City Council. Either Party may terminate this MOA upon 30 days' written notice of said termination to the other Party, subject to approval of the Los Angeles City Council or the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, depending on which Party seeks termination.

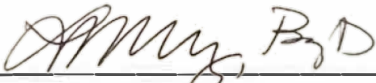
2. Except as expressly modified above, all terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

3. The persons executing this First Amendment on behalf of the Parties hereto warrant that they are duly authorized to execute this Amendment on behalf of said Parties and that by so executing this Amendment, the Parties hereto are formally bound to the provisions of this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this First Amendment as of the dates stated below.

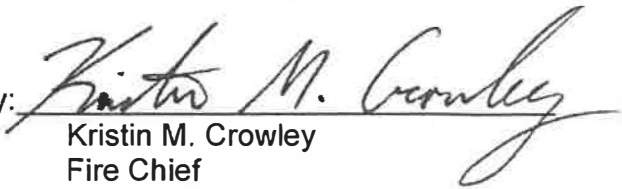
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OF MENTAL HEALTH**

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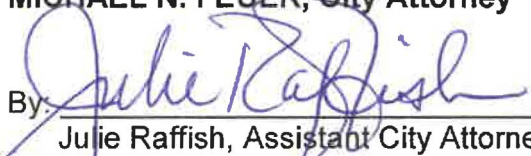
By: 
Lisa H. Wong, Psy.D.
Acting Director
Los Angeles County Department of
Mental Health

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

Date: 10/7/2022


By: 
Kristin M. Crowley
Fire Chief
Los Angeles Fire Department

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MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By: 
Julie Raffish, Assistant City Attorney

Date: October 7, 2022

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Dawyn R. Harrison, Acting County Counsel

By: 
Emily D. Issa, Deputy County Counsel

Date: October 13, 2022

ATTEST:
HOLLY WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By:  
Deputy City Clerk

Date: 10/25/2022

City Agreement Number: _____