

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CHULA VISTA APPROVING THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO
THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND THE
CITY OF CHULA VISTA

WHEREAS, in 2013, the City entered into an agreement with the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Department, Emergency Medical Services Division to support the Fire Department's Advanced Life Support (ALS) program, and

WHEREAS, the provision of ALS requires a level of medical expertise to establish proper policies and procedures, quality improvement, and education; and

WHEREAS, the City does not employ staff with the level of expertise in this specific area given the complexity and surrounding issues regarding implementation of ALS; and

WHEREAS, the City has considered alternatives for medical direction and concluded that the University of California, San Diego ("UCSD") is uniquely qualified to fill this role; and

WHEREAS, UCSD has a unique performance capability because it is the only academic medical center in San Diego County with the resources, staffing and experience to provide medical direction and access to academic facilities in order to facilitate implementation of ALS; and

WHEREAS, there are no other academic medical centers in San Diego County with the resources and ability to provide medical director services; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2013, the Chula Vista City Council approved Resolution No. 2013-249 to enter into a sole-source two-party agreement with UCSD, pursuant to Chula Vista Municipal Code Sections 2.56.070(A) and 2.56.110, to have one of its doctors, Dr. John Serra, M.D., serve as the Medical Director for the Chula Vista Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, this contract was amended on September 23, 2015, in Resolution No. 2015-222, upon the Fire Department's recommendation that City Council approve an amendment to increase compensation and extend the contract for three more years; and

WHEREAS, this contract was again amended on September 30, 2018, in Resolution No. 2018-203, upon the Fire Department's recommendation that the City Council extend the contract for three more years and replace Dr. Serra with another UCSD School of Medicine doctor in the Department of Emergency Services, Dr. Jennifer Farah, M.D., to serve as the Medical Director for the Chula Vista Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department now recommends that City Council approve a third amendment, effective June 1, 2020, to increase services to up to forty (40) hours monthly and to approve an increase the annual compensation to \$84,000 per year for remainder of the contract, which expires September 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, that it approves the Third Amendment to the Medical Director Agreement Between the Regents of the University of California and the City of Chula Vista, in the form presented with such minor modifications as may be approved or required by the City Attorney, a final copy of which shall be kept on file with the City Clerk, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute the same.

Presented by

Approved as to form by

Jim Geering
Fire Chief

Glen R. Googins
City Attorney