

## RESOLUTION NO. -2023

### RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2022-23 BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 2023-17) ADDING FUNDS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT-SOCIAL SERVICES TO FUND THE YOUTH OPIOID RESPONSE PROGRAM THROUGH A FULLY REIMBURSABLE GRANT TO INCLUDE SUPPLIES, A FULL-TIME SUCCESS COACH CONTRACTOR AND FUNDING FOR A FULL-TIME CARE RESPONSE EMPLOYEE (ACCOUNT NO. 110-4202)

**WHEREAS**, the Fort Bragg Police Department recognizes that the current opioid crisis is a critical public health issue; and

**WHEREAS**, Mendocino County ranks above the State average for opioid abuse in every category, with an opioid overdose rate of 21.1 per 100,000 residents, almost three times higher than the State average; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fort Bragg Police Department recognizes that individuals with substance abuse disorders represent a disproportionately large cost to the criminal justice and public health systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fort Bragg Police Department has found notable success in addressing other social issues through the creation of our Care Response Unit (CRU) and its approach to addressing homelessness and individuals with mental health illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, in March, 2023, the Fort Bragg Police Department was awarded a grant through the California Youth Opioid Response funded by the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (CIBHS) to fully reimburse the City of Fort Bragg for the purchase of supplies, funding for one full-time Care Response Unit employee, and the funding of one full-time contractor Success Coach; and

**WHEREAS**, the Care Response Unit and Success Coach will work to connect youth with substance abuse treatment both before and during the criminal justice process while advocating for the expansion of services on the Mendocino coast; and

**WHEREAS**, Bethany Brewer has an extensive history successfully working with youth with substance abuse disorders and has a long-standing relationship with the schools working with disadvantaged youth; and

**WHEREAS**, Bethany Brewer was instrumental in the development of the new program and grant and has successfully worked with the Police Department on addressing youth issues in the past; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant requires a full-time equivalent contracted Success Coach in order to meet the required deliverables and \$140,544 has been included in the grant to execute that contract; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the evidence presented, the City Council finds as follows:

1. The adjustments to the FY 2022-23 Budget as shown in Exhibit B are necessary to cover the costs of the Youth Opioid Response grant.

2. The costs associated with the Youth Opioid Response are fully reimbursable through the CIBHS grant.
3. The City Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Bethany Brewer to provide services as a Success Coach and to supervise a Success Coach Team involving multiple paid employees for an amount not to exceed \$140,544.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby amend the previously adopted FY 2022-23 Budget to incorporate the changes enumerated in Exhibit B.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg authorizes the execution of a contract with Bethany Brewer for an amount not to exceed \$140,544.

**The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, by the following vote:**

**AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
RECUSED:**

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**BERNIE NORVELL**  
**Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**June Lemos, MMC**  
**City Clerk**