

**CITY OF SAN MATEO
RESOLUTION NO. __ (2022)**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FIXIN' SAN MATEO COUNTY (FXSMC)

WHEREAS, the death of George Floyd in 2020 prompted civil unrest and community concern into policing practices and heightened calls for reform around the country, including in the five-county Bay Area where Black people constitute less than 7% of the population yet accounted for 27% of the people killed by law enforcement officers from 2015 through 2020; and

WHEREAS, two-hundred and twenty (220) jurisdictions around the country, twenty-five (25) of them in California, have established civilian oversight over their local police or sheriff, including the counties of Santa Clara, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, and Sonoma; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1185 codifies the right of citizens to establish a civilian oversight board to assist the Board of Supervisors with overseeing the conduct of all county officers and ensure that they faithfully perform their duties; and

WHEREAS, On September 13, 2022 the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors voted to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to research and report on potential civilian oversight for the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office and to work with staff to design and help implement a community engagement process; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it can be seen with certainty that it will not cause a physical change in the environment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY RESOLVES that:

1. The City Council of the City of San Mateo supports Fixin' San Mateo County (FxSMC) in their efforts to establish effective civilian oversight of the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office.