



# CITY OF SAN MATEO

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## Agenda Report

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**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Drew Corbett, City Manager  
**PREPARED BY:** Police Department  
**MEETING DATE:** September 07, 2021

**SUBJECT:**  
Community Wellness and Crisis Response Team Mental Health Partnership Services – Agreement Amendment

### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an amendment to the Agreement for Services for the Community Wellness and Crisis Response Team, which was originally approved by Council on January 19th, 2021, to reflect the decision by the County of San Mateo to assign the role of hiring clinicians for the program to StarVista; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment in substantially the form presented.

### BACKGROUND:

On January 19th, 2021, Council authorized the Police Department to enter into an agreement with the County of San Mateo and the cities of Daly City, Redwood City, and South San Francisco in the creation of a mental health partnership program – the Community Wellness and Crisis Response Team (CWCRT). This program will embed a clinician with police departments to optimally respond to individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis. Since January, the County department assigned to the program, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS), has been unable to hire employees to staff the clinician position. Subsequently, BHRS and the County of San Mateo have assigned this responsibility to StarVista, an established, local, non-profit community-based organization with extensive expertise and experience in this area. As a non-profit service provider, StarVista will have greater flexibility and capacity to help staff this important position in effective and innovative ways.

An amendment to the original agreement is required to institute this change. It is the policy of the City that intergovernmental agreements be approved the City Council.

### BUDGET IMPACT:

There is no budgetary impact associated with this agenda item.

### ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

This action is not a project subject to CEQA, because it can be seen with certainty that it will not cause a physical change in the environment. (Public Resources Code Section 21065.)

### NOTICE PROVIDED

All meeting noticing requirements were met.

### ATTACHMENTS

Att 1 - Pilot Program Side Letter Agreement

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