



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: December 16, 2025

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,  
Approving a Memorandum Of Understanding Among the Cities of Oakland and San Jose, The  
Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, San Mateo, Santa Clara, And Sonoma,  
And City and County of San Francisco.**

**Whereas**, the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has a Homeland Security Grant Program which includes the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Program; and

**Whereas**, the UASI Program addresses the unique planning, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-threat, high-density “Urban Areas” and assists those areas in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from threats and acts of terrorism; and

**Whereas**, DHS requires each Urban Area receiving grant funds to establish an Urban Area Working Group (UAWG) to act as an executive steering committee and provide overall governance of the UASI Program across the regional area encompassed within the defined Urban Area; and

**Whereas**, in Fiscal Year 2006, the DHA consolidated the separate San Francisco, Oakland, and San Jose Urban Areas into a combined “Bay Area Urban Area” for the purposes of the UASI Program; and

**Whereas**, in 2006, the City and County of San Francisco, the Cities of Oakland and San Jose, and the Counties of Alameda and Santa Clara, as the core cities and counties of the Bay Area Urban Area, entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) setting forth their agreements regarding the objectives, governance structures, responsibilities, and financial agreements to use in applying for, allocating, and distributing UASI grant funds to the Bay Area Urban Area, and establishing the Bay Area UASI Approval Authority as an oversight body over the UASI Program for the Bay Area Urban Area; and

**Whereas,** DHS approved the governance structure created in the 2006 MOU as the UAWG for the Bay Area Urban Area and the 2006 MOU designated the City and County of San Francisco as the primary grantee and fiscal agent for the UASI funds to the Bay Area Urban Area; and

**Whereas,** subsequent memorandums were adopted in 2007, 2011, 2013, 2017, and 2021, whereby several other cities and counties signed on to the MOUs and became member agencies of the Bay Area UASI Approval Authority; and

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma has been a member to the Bay Area UASI MOU since 2011; and

**Whereas,** the term of the 2021 MOU is set to expire on November 30, 2025, and on September 18, 2025, the Approval Authority of the Bay Area UASI approved an MOU with a five-year term (the “2025 MOU”); and

**Whereas,** a copy of the 2025 MOU is on file with the Clerk which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma participates in federal homeland security grant programs and deems them vital to the continued security and well-being of its citizens; and

**Whereas,** as a party to the 2025 MOU, the County of Sonoma can continue its partnership with other cities and counties in the Bay Area to build an enhanced and sustainable local and regional capacity to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from threats and acts of terrorism.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** the County of Sonoma hereby approves the 2025 MOU and authorizes the County of Sonoma to enter into the 2025 MOU; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Director of Emergency Management or their designee, is authorized and directed to sign the 2025 MOU on behalf of the County.

**Supervisors:**

Hermosillo:      Rabbitt:      Coursey:      Gore:      Hopkins:

Ayes:      Noes:      Absent:      Abstain:

**So Ordered.**