

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION ADOPTING FINDINGS TO SUPPORT AN EXCEPTION TO THE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO SAN JOAQUIN GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR MEDICAL EXAMS

A medical protocol must be followed when a victim has been sexually assaulted so that evidence accumulated during the medical examination may be used in court; and

This protocol is critical to the preservation of evidence which may be used in criminal prosecutions; and

In San Joaquin County, law enforcement agencies have established a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) protocol for victims of sexual assault crimes; and

The protocol involves police personnel and victim advocates who meet the victim and the victim's family at the hospital as well as accompany the victim during the examination and interview process, and specially trained doctors and nurses who have completed prescribed courses for such examinations; and

San Joaquin General Hospital has trained and qualified personnel to perform that medical protocol for law enforcement agencies throughout the County; and

Pursuant to Penal Code section 13823.95, a law enforcement agency in whose jurisdiction the crime took place is responsible for paying the costs associated with the sexual assault medical examination; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The findings to support an exception to the competitive bidding process and authorizing payments to San Joaquin General Hospital are hereby adopted as follows:

- a. All law enforcement agencies agreed on a specific protocol for victims of sexual assault crimes to ensure consistency across jurisdictions which includes a standardized medical exam;
- b. The SART protocol is critical to the preservation of evidence to be used in criminal prosecutions;

- c. San Joaquin General Hospital employs specially trained doctors and nurses who have completed prescribed courses for sexual assault medical examinations; and
- d. San Joaquin General Hospital has agreed to provide the required SART exam at a cost of \$1,824.

2. The City Council authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$1,824 per examination, not to exceed the annual budgeted amount in the General Fund Police Investigations Testing & Analysis.

3. The City Manager is authorized and directed to take whatever actions are necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED March 20, 2018.

MICHAEL D. TUBBS
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

BRET HUNTER, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Stockton