



## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2025**

**6:00pm or immediately following the Quality Professional Services Committee Meeting to 7:00pm**

### **Conference Center at Highland Care Pavilion**

1411 East 31<sup>st</sup> Street Oakland, CA 94602

Ronna Jojola Gonsalves, Clerk of the Board

(510) 535-7515

### **LOCATION:**

Open Session, In Person: HCP Conference Center, see above address

Teleconference Location: 4501 Pleasanton Avenue, Pleasanton, CA 94566

ZOOM Meeting Link:<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Log into the meeting at [www.zoom.us](https://www.zoom.us). You will be directed to download the meeting app (free) if you have not used ZOOM previously. ZOOM meetings may be accessed on computers and portable devices.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Per Brown Act requirements, Trustees of the Alameda Health System will attend board and committee meetings in person at the location(s) noticed on this agenda. Staff and members of the public may attend either in person at the location noticed on this agenda, or remotely via Zoom, using the link included on this agenda.

### **Public Comment Instructions**

If you attend the meeting in person and wish to address the Board or Committee regarding an item on the agenda or in their purview, please see the Clerk of the Board to sign up.

If you attend the meeting remotely and wish to address the Board of Trustees or Committee regarding an item on the agenda or in their purview, send an email to [cob@alamedahealthsystem.org](mailto:cob@alamedahealthsystem.org) prior to the start of the meeting, or via Zoom chat during the meeting. Your comment will be heard at the appropriate time.

Each speaker, whether in person or remote, will be allotted between one and three minutes to speak, depending on the number of speakers present.

### **OPEN SESSION / ROLL CALL**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **ACTION/DISCUSSION**

- A. **[ACTION: Approve the Resolution to authorize the Chief Operations Officer to submit the Behavioral Health Community Infrastructure Program grant application for Wilma Chan Highland Hospital and authorize the Chief Operating Officer to enter into and execute and deliver all other documentation necessary to secure the grant funds](#)**

*Mark Fratzke, Chief Operating Officer*

### **CLOSED SESSION**

#### **1. Conference with Labor Negotiators**

[Government Code Section 54957.6]

AHS Designated Representatives: Ulysses Madison, Director of People Operations

Employee Organization: UAPD

***(Reconvene to Open Session)***

### **General Counsel Report on Action Taken in Closed Session**

### **OPEN SESSION**

### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

## **Our Mission**

Caring, Healing, Teaching, Serving All

## **Strategic Vision**

AHS will be recognized as a world-class patient and family centered system of care that promotes wellness, eliminates disparities and optimizes the health of our diverse communities.

## **Values**

Compassion, Commitment, Teamwork, Excellence, Integrity, and Respect.

## **Meeting Procedures**

All items appearing on the agenda are subject to action by the Board of Trustees. Staff recommendations are subject to action and change by the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees is the Policy Body of the Alameda Health System. The Board has several standing Committees where Board matters are the subject of discussion at which members of the public are urged to testify. Board procedures do not permit: 1) persons in the audience at a Committee meeting to vocally express support or opposition to statements by Board Members or by other persons testifying; 2) ringing and use of cell phones, pagers, and similar sound-producing electronic devices; 3) signs to be brought into the meeting or displayed in the room; 4) standing in the meeting room. Citizens are encouraged to testify at Committee meetings and to write letters to the Clerk of the Board or to its members, 1411 East 31<sup>st</sup> Street Oakland, CA 94602.

**Members of the public are advised that all Board and Committee proceedings are recorded (audio), including comments and statements by the public in the course of the meetings. Copies of the audio recordings will be made available to the public. Copies of the agendas and supporting documents can be found here: <http://www.alamedahealthsystem.org/meeting-agendas-and-minutes/>. By attending and participating in Board/Committee meetings, members of the public consent to audio recording of any statements they may make during the proceedings.**

## **Disability Access**

To request accommodation or assistance to participate in the meeting please contact the Clerk of the Board. Requests made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting will help to ensure availability.

In order to accommodate persons with severe allergies, environmental illness, multiple chemical sensitivity or related disabilities, attendees at public meetings are reminded that other attendees may be sensitive to perfumes and various other chemical-based scented products. Please help us to accommodate these individuals.

***The AHS Board of Trustees is committed to protecting the private health information (PHI) of our patients. We ask that speakers refrain from disclosing or discussing the PHI of others. Please also know that, should you decide to disclose your PHI, the Trustees will still likely refer your matter, to the extent it involves PHI, to the executive staff for a***

***confidential review of the facts and for confidential handling. If you would like more information regarding the confidentiality of PHI as it relates to the Health Insurance Privacy and Accountability Act, please refer to 45CFR Section 164.101, et.seq.***

**TO:** AHS Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Mark Fratzke, Chief Operating Officer

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item B1- Approve the Resolution to authorize the Chief Operating Officer to submit the Behavioral Health Community Infrastructure Program grant application for Highland Hospital and authorize the Chief Operating Officer to enter into and execute and deliver all other documentation necessary to secure the grant funds.

**Meeting Date:** October 22, 2025

**BOARD ACTION:** Approve Resolution 2025-007

**Background:**

The Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) is a statewide initiative administered by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). It provides competitive grant funding to eligible entities to construct, acquire, and rehabilitate facilities that support individuals with behavioral health and substance use needs. The program is designed to strengthen California's behavioral health infrastructure and improve access to community-based services.

**Analysis:**

Alameda Health System is submitting a BHCIP application to support infrastructure improvements to the Emergency Department (ED) at the Wilma Chan Highland Hospital Campus (WCHHC). The proposed enhancements are intended to improve patient flow, enhance the physical environment, and support more responsive care for individuals with behavioral health and substance use needs.

This application is informed by broader system-level challenges that impact emergency departments across the region, including:

- Extended ED stays due to limited inpatient and step-down care options.
- Space constraints within Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES).
- High-acuity patient presentations requiring coordinated care.
- Fragmented care pathways and limited data sharing across agencies.
- Workforce shortages and limited community-based behavioral health resources.

These challenges reflect the complexity of delivering care in a high-demand environment and underscore the need for strategic infrastructure investment. The proposed improvements are designed to support operational efficiency, enhance the therapeutic environment, and align with AHS's mission to provide safe, equitable, and patient-centered care.

**Recommendation:**

Approve Resolution 2025-007. The purpose of the **Board Resolution Letter (BRL)** is to confirm that the governing body of the applicant organization has formally authorized the submission of the application. The BRL must include:

- Approval to apply for BHCIP grant funds.
- A “Not to Exceed” (NTE) amount for the proposed project.
- Acknowledgment that the organization will comply with applicable program requirements if awarded.

This letter serves as a procedural requirement and does not constitute a commitment to specific clinical outcomes or operational guarantees. Staff will bring this back to your Board prior to making any further commitments to the Grantor including expending any payments as it relates to the 10% capital expense associated with the project.

**Prior Board Action:**

None

**Fiscal Impact:**

AHS will be responsible for up to 10% of the capital expense associated with the project. We can assume there will be no additional operating expense, as BHCIP requires projects to operate at minimum break even in order to remain in consideration for approval. However, Staff will bring this back to your Board prior to making any such commitments.



## Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs Form 10: Board Authorizing Resolution Template

### RESOLUTION NO. 2025-007

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ALAMEDA HEALTH SYSTEM, A PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO AND PARTICIPATION IN THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (“BHCIP”)**

##### **WHEREAS:**

- A. The California Department of Health Care Services, through its contractor Advocates for Human Potential, Inc., (“**Department**”) has issued a Request for Applications, dated May 30, 2025 (“**RFA**”), for the Bond BHCIP Round 2 (2025) Unmet Needs Program (“**Program**”). The Department has issued the RFA for Program grant funds pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code sections 5965-5967.01 (“**Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2024**”).
- B. **ALAMEDA HEALTH SYSTEM, A CALIFORNIA PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY (“Applicant”)**, desires to apply for Program grant funds and has submitted an application for Program grant funds (“**Application**”) to the Department for review and consideration.
- C. The Department is authorized to administer BHCIP pursuant to the Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2024. Program funding allocations are subject to the terms and conditions of the RFA, the Application, Program Funding Agreement (“**Program Funding Agreement**”), and all other legal requirements of the Program.

##### **THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Department in response to the RFA, and to apply for Program grant funds in a total amount not to exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. If the Application is approved, Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to

enter into, execute, and deliver a Program Funding Agreement for the total award amount, and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the Program grant funds from the Department and to participate in the Program, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the **"Program Documents"**).

3. Applicant acknowledges and agrees that it shall be subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Program Funding Agreement. Any and all activities, expenditures, information, and timelines represented in the Application are enforceable through the Program Funding Agreement. Funds are to be used for the allowable expenditures and activities identified in the Program Funding Agreement.
4. **Mark Fratzke, Chief Operating Officer** (the **"Authorized Signatory"**), is authorized to execute the Application and the Program Documents on behalf of Applicant for participation in the Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2025, by the following vote of the Corporation's Board of Directors:

AYES: ☐ NAYS: ☐ ABSTAIN: ☐ ABSENT: ☐

The undersigned, **David Sayen, President Board of Trustees** of Applicant, does hereby attest and certify that the foregoing is a true and full copy of a resolution of the Corporation's governing body adopted at a duly convened meeting on the date above-mentioned, and that the resolution has not been altered, amended, or repealed.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

**[NOTICE AND INSTRUCTIONS APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]**



## NOTICE AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Notice.** The Department is providing this template Authorizing Resolution as informational guidance only. The Department encourages each Applicant to consult with professional legal counsel during the development of its own formal, legally binding statement that it is authorized to apply to and participate in the Program.
  - a. Please note, however, that any limitations or conditions on the authority of the signatory or signatories to execute the Application or the Program Documents may result in the Department rejecting the Authorizing Resolution.
2. **Accuracy, Verification.** The Department will verify that this Authorizing Resolution comports with Applicant's operative organizational documents (e.g., Articles of Incorporation, bylaws). Applicant must timely notify the Department, in writing, of any discrepancies between its Authorizing Resolution and its organizational documents, along with a written explanation of same.
3. **Dollar Amounts of Grant Awards.** The Department recommends identifying an authorized dollar amount that is exactly the amount requested in the Application. If Applicant is ultimately awarded an amount that differs from the amount identified in the Authorizing Resolution, the Department will require a new Authorizing Resolution from Applicant before execution of a Program Funding Agreement.
4. **Authorized Signatory or Signatories, Designee.** Applicant may authorize multiple signatories, so long as there is clarifying language as to whether the signatories are authorized to execute the Program Documents individually or collectively.
5. **Vote Count.** Please fill out the field by every voting category (i.e., Ayes, Nays, Abstain, Absent). If none, please indicate zero (0) for that field. The vote count must comport with relevant provisions in Applicant's operative organizational documents (e.g., authorized number of directors, quorum).
6. **Certification of Authorizing Resolution.** The individual who certifies the Authorizing Resolution cannot also be authorized to execute the Program Documents on behalf of Applicant. The individual who certifies this Authorizing Resolution must be either 1) the Secretary of the corporation; 2) the Chairperson/President of the Board of Directors, if different than the Authorized Signatory; or 3) all members of the Board of Directors of the corporation.