

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT - ROSS VALLEY
PARAMEDIC AUTHORITY

RECITALS

1. The Cities/Towns of Corte Madera, Larkspur, Fairfax, Ross and San Anselmo, the Kentfield and Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection Districts, and the County of Marin have authority to perform public safety functions in their respective communities, and desire to join together to consider, and if found feasible and fundable, to provide, paramedic or advance life support service (ALS) in medical emergencies throughout the Ross Valley, without regard to jurisdictional boundaries.

2. The parties are authorized to contract with each other for the joint exercise of any common power pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500-6514 including ALS medical services as specified in California Health and Safety Code Sections 1480-1485.

3. The parties intend to identify promptly and resolve fairly any service differences or inequities that arise in carrying out the below agreement.

4. The parties, therefore, mutually agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

Section 1. Joint Powers Authority Established

The Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (Authority) hereby is established by the parties hereto effective as of the date of execution hereof by the last party signatory.

Section 2. Governing Body.

Authority shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of one member appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the legislative body of each party. Formal action may be taken only by majority vote of the full Board.

Section 3. Powers and Duties of Authority, to be exercised by or under the direction of its Board, shall include:

a. Developing a plan for and studying the economic feasibility of provision of ALS service in the territory described in the first recital hereof (territory).

b. If warranted by said studies, recommending to the legislative bodies of the parties special tax measure ordinances to be placed before the voters.

c. Applying for, receiving and disbursing grants, loans or other aids from any private or public agency.

d. Setting standards for ALS and BLS (basic life support) services.

e. Entering into contracts, which shall include contract with one of the parties for administrative and fiscal services (controller and treasurer), contract with a certified public accountant for annual audit, and contract with the County of Marin to meet all requirements of the County Health Officer under relevant State law, and contract(s) for ALS and BLS service.

f. Entering into automatic and/or mutual aid agreements with other ALS providers.

g. Adopting an annual budget, and setting a tax levy within the limits of voter approval, said levy to be collected as determined by Authority and remitted to Authority's fiscal agent. Such tax levy shall constitute a lien against property as provided in the Revenue & Taxation Code of the State of California and payments not made by the dates general property taxes are due shall be subject to penalty as

c. by execution of this agreement and the meeting of all responsibilities thereunder by an additional party with consent of Authority.

Section 8. Successors; Mergers

This agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of successors to the parties hereto.

Section 9. Entire Agreement.

This instrument constitutes the entire agreement between the parties as to the subject matter thereof, and may be altered or amended only by an instrument in writing duly executed by all of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this agreement on the dates written next to the signatures below.

TOWN OF CORTE MADERA
BY [Signature]
MAYOR

DATED: 10-5-82

ATTEST:
[Signature]
TOWN CLERK

CITY OF LARKSPUR
BY [Signature]
MAYOR

DATED: 10-21-81

ATTEST:
[Signature]
CITY CLERK

TOWN OF ROSS
BY [Signature]
MAYOR

DATED: 8-20-82

ATTEST:
[Signature]
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO
BY [Signature]
MAYOR

DATED: 9-24-81

ATTEST:
[Signature]
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF FAIRFAX
BY [Signature]
MAYOR

DATED: Dec. 14, 1982

ATTEST:
[Signature]
TOWN CLERK

KENTFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BY [Signature]

DATED: 9-14-82

SLEEPY HOLLOW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BY [Signature]
Dated: Sept 21, 1982

COUNTY OF MARTIN
BY [Signature]
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATED: 12-1-81

ATTEST:
[Signature]
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS