



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JUNE 6, 2017

FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE AUTHORIZED AGENTS FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS TO REQUEST FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE TO THE CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR DISASTER RECOVERY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

## **ISSUE:**

Adopt the resolution to designate authorized agents for the next three years for the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for the purpose of obtaining certain federal and state financial assistance for disaster recovery and authorize those agents to apply for Disaster Recovery Public Assistance.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the Assistant City Manager, the Fire Chief, and the Emergency Services Administrator to execute for and on behalf of the City of Riverside any and all documents for Disaster Recovery Public Assistance;
2. Authorize submittal of the application with the designated authorized agents to the California Office of Emergency Services for all matters pertaining to such state, and federal disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required for Disaster Recovery Public Assistance; and
3. Upon receipt of Disaster Recovery Public Assistance funds, authorize an increase in estimated revenues in the amount of the assistance and appropriate expenditures in the same amount in a project account to be established by Finance for each qualified disaster recovery activity.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In order to proceed with recently declared disaster DR-4305, ongoing, and future requests for cost recovery from California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and the Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA), the City must re-designate the titles of the City's Authorized Agents. California requires the City to re-designate every three years. The Authorized Agents serve to execute, for and on behalf of the City, applications to obtain certain federal assistance under P.L. 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and state financial assistance under the California Disaster Act.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The attached Resolution would serve as a recorded file designating the "authorized agent" to execute the applications for the cost recovery agreements between the City and CalOES or FEMA. This recorded file is required to receive cost recovery for current and future disasters.

CalOES allows for a universal designation for any disaster during the time period, which allows the City to move forward with the application and cost recovery process in a timelier manner. This application and Resolution would empower the Assistant City Manager, the Fire Chief, and the Emergency Services Administrator to execute applications and agreements between the City and CalOES and FEMA when funding is awarded for cost recovery related to these expenses.

If reimbursement by FEMA or CalOES is approved, FEMA will reimburse the City for 75% of the approved costs and CalOES will reimburse the City 18.75%, the remaining 6.25% will be the City's cost share.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the designation of authorized agents on behalf of the City.

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### **Attachments:**

1. OES Form 130
2. OES Form 126
3. OES Form 89
4. Resolution