

Agenda Report

May 2, 2016

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) DISASTER ASSISTANCE DOCUMENTS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 21065 of CEQA and Sections 15060 (c)(2), 15060 (c)(3), and 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for the project; and
2. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, Assistant City Manager and Director of Finance to execute for and on behalf of the City of Pasadena applications with the California Emergency Management Agency. This is for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act.

BACKGROUND:

The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is responsible for the coordination of overall state agency response to major disasters in support of local government. The Agency is responsible for assuring the state's readiness to respond to and recover from all disasters natural, and man-made and for assisting local governments in their emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and hazard mitigation efforts.

Every three years the City is required to update its authorization to submit applications for financial assistance. Such authorization, which is accomplished through the adoption of the attached resolution, is a standard Cal EMA form. Adoption of the attached resolution will allow any future claims related to disasters to be processed.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

Adoption of the proposed resolution is consistent with the City Council's plan goal to ensure financial stability and responsibility. Approval of this resolution will allow the City to submit requests for reimbursement from Cal EMA on all matters pertaining to state disaster assistance.

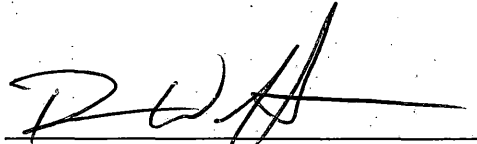
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The action proposed herein is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 21065 of CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060 (c)(2), 15060 (c)(3), and 15378. The authorization of the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Director of Finance to execute applications with Cal EMA is an organizational and administrative action that would not cause either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. Therefore, the proposed action is not a "project" subject to CEQA, as defined in Section 21065 of CEQA and Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines. Since the action is not a project subject to CEQA, no environmental document is required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

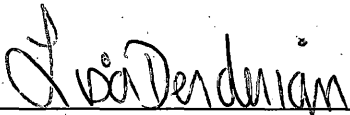
Approval of this resolution will allow the City to submit requests for reimbursement from Cal EMA on all matters pertaining to state disaster assistance. There is no fiscal impact associated with this particular action.

Respectfully submitted,



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