



AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: May 24, 2011

Item Number: F-5

To: Honorable Mayor & City Council

From: Pamela Mottice Muller, Director of the Office of Emergency Management

Subject: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS DESIGNATING AGENTS AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND THE CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (Cal EMA) FOR RECOVERING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DECLARED EMERGENCIES

Attachments: 1. Resolution

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the resolution updating the City of Beverly Hills Resolution No. 08-R-12473 which designates agents by title authorized to execute for and behalf of the City of Beverly Hills to the federal and state government for financial support and reimbursement before, during or after a disaster or emergency. Once adopted, the City Clerk will then submit the resolution and names of those currently filling the positions to the California Emergency Management Agency.

INTRODUCTION

Staff requests the City Council approve the resolution designating the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Director of Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer, Director of Emergency Management and any of their designees to execute applications for financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) for recovering costs associated with declared emergencies and disasters. The City Council has previously approved

similar resolutions on September 4, 1996, December 9, 1997, and January 8, 2008. Cal EMA has recently passed a new policy requiring forms to be updated and re-adopted every three years. There is no change to the position titles, although the names of two individuals holding the titles are different.

DISCUSSION

Public Law 93-288 (PL 93-288): The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988 provides the authority for the federal government to respond to declared disasters and emergencies in order to provide assistance to save lives and to protect public health, safety, property and the environment. In addition PL 93-288: Title IV: Federal Disaster Assistance Programs of the Stafford Act authorizes the President of the United States to make contributions to state and local governments to help repair or reconstruct public facilities, to pay for emergency response and to provide grants for the development of plans and programs for disaster preparedness.

The adoption of this resolution grants authority to the aforementioned City positions to apply for financial assistance and reimbursement applications for the purpose of obtaining certain federal and financial assistance made available by PL 93-288, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act, and to file the same with the State Emergency Management Agency on behalf of the City of Beverly Hills.

It is absolutely imperative that the current resolution on file is updated. The State will not authorize to the City reimbursement for the cost of disaster expenditures, until an updated resolution is filed.

The resolution assumes that the authorized agents will abide by all assurances and agreements as stated in the project application for the California Disaster Assistance Act Program as provided by the State of California Emergency Management Agency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Without the adoption of this updated resolution, state and federal funds specifically targeting disaster response, reconstruction and rebuilding efforts could be delayed. This may cause the City financial a hardship.

Pamela Mottice Muller
Office of Emergency Management

Attachment 1

RESOLUTION NO. 11-R-_____

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS DESIGNATING AGENTS AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND THE STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CAL EMA) FOR RECOVERING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DECLARED EMERGENCIES

The City Council of the City of Beverly Hills does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. The City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Director of Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer, Director of Emergency Management and any of their designees are each hereby authorized, acting alone or together, to execute for and on behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, applications for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under P.L. 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, and to file same with the State Emergency Management Agency.

Section 2. The City of Beverly Hills, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, hereby authorizes its agents specified in Section 1 to provide all required assurances and agreements to the State Emergency Management Agency for all matters pertaining to state disaster assistance.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution and shall cause this resolution and his certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the Council of this City.

Section 4. The City Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to the State Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA).

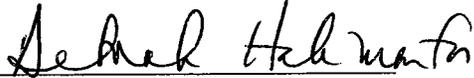
Adopted:

BARRY BRUCKER
Mayor of the City of
Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:

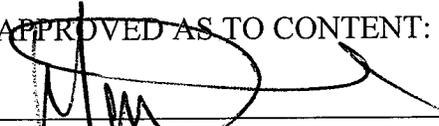
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BYRON POPE
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



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