

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: May 21, 2019

TITLE: Approve and Authorize Submittal of California Emergency Management Agency Form CAL OES 130 Designating Personnel to Act as the Agent for the City When Seeking Financial Assistance After a Disaster

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RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Form 130 Disaster Designees as the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, and Finance Director; direct the City Clerk to certify; and direct Staff to submit the CalOES Form 130 to the California Office of Emergency Services.

BACKGROUND

In mid-February 2019, storms cause significant damage to City property requiring extensive repairs and clean-up efforts. On May 1, 2019, the federal government declared a major disaster making federal disaster aid available to 11 counties in California for the Mid-February 2019 Storms event. Riverside County was included as one of the 11 counties. The City now has the opportunity to apply for FEMA grants for reimbursement for the costs incurred in repairs, debris removal, and emergency response. One step in this process is to provide the State with Form CAL OES 130.

DISCUSSION:

The California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Form 130 authorizes the positions listed to execute for and on behalf of the City of Desert Hot Springs for the purpose of obtaining certain Federal financial assistance, under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, P.L. 93-288, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., and Related Authorities as of April 2013, and/or State financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA). The State requires this documentation for the City to receive State and/or Federal financial assistance for disaster relief.

The positions designated on the form are the City Manager, Deputy City Manager and Finance Director. By approving and submitting this form, the City designates personnel to act as an agent in obtaining financial assistance in the event of a disaster. This designation will be in effect for three (3) years from the date of the form. After three (3) years, Form CalOES 130 will need to be updated and resubmitted.

FISCAL IMPACT

Designated personnel will allow to City to receive financial assistance for the costs of clean-up and repairs for the mid-February 2019 storms, as well as future disasters for the next three (3) years.

EXHIBIT(S)

1) CalOES 130