

**CITY OF PALM DESERT
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: September 14, 2023

PREPARED BY: John Ramont, Deputy Finance Director

REQUEST: APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES
INCURRED DURING THE AUGUST 2023 WEATHER EVENT

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Receive and file the report of expenditures to date related to the August 2023 weather event.
2. Appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,765,000 from committed general fund balance allocated to emergency reserves to the emergency expenditure account (1104159-4219100) to cover expenditures incurred during the August 2023 weather event.
3. Authorize the City Manager to transfer funds from the emergency expenditure account to other expenditure accounts as appropriate.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The August 2023 weather event required the immediate assistance of various vendors during and after the event. Under the direction of the City Manager, staff took immediate action to procure needed services to protect life and property as authorized by the emergency declaration. Due to the unanticipated nature of the emergency, funds were not appropriated in the current budget. This action will provide appropriations to cover the immediate need to pay vendors in a timely manner. The following is a list of vendors who provided various supplies and services in support of emergency operations, as well as an estimate of costs that are expected to be incurred as a result of the response to the weather event.

Vendor	Service	Estimated Expenditures	
Burrtec	Debris Removal	\$	15,000
CalSense	Irrigation Equipment	\$	50,000
CalStripe	Lane Line Cleanup	\$	100,000
Conserve Landcare	Median and Parks Cleanup	\$	100,000
CTI - Cindy Trump Inc.	Street Sweeping	\$	75,000
CV Pipeline	Water Pumping	\$	15,000
Granite Construction	Mud & Debris Removal	\$	350,000
Haaker Equipment	Equipment Rental	\$	100,000
Horizon Professional	Median and Parks Cleanup	\$	25,000
Houston & Harris	Water Pumping	\$	50,000
JTB Supply	Traffic Signage	\$	5,000
Mariposa Landscapes	Median and Parks Cleanup	\$	100,000
Martin Sweeping	Street Sweeping	\$	15,000
Palmer Electric	Electrical Service at Parks	\$	15,000

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Sunset Rentals	Equipment Rental	\$	50,000
Tri-Star Contracting	Road and Parks Debris Removal	\$	100,000
Vintage Associates	Parks and Landscape	\$	200,000
West Coast Arborists	Tree Removal	\$	250,000
Willcorp	Mud & Debris Removal	\$	150,000
Total Appropriation Request		\$	1,765,000

The above amounts are estimates of work performed and pending, therefore, the amounts are not limited to each contractor and will only be expended to the extent necessary. In addition, staff will continue to pursue any available reimbursements through insurance, the California Disaster Assistance funds, or any other funding that may be available.

Legal Review:

This report has been reviewed by the City Attorney's office.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact to the general fund is not expected to exceed the requested appropriation. Some expenses are expected to be mitigated through available reimbursements.

ATTACHMENT:

Report of invoices received to date for weather event related expenditures