



# REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

**MEETING DATE:**

May 6, 2020

**DEPARTMENT:**

Administration

**DIVISION:**

- Motion
- Resolution
- Ordinance - Introduction
- Ordinance - Adoption
- Public Hearing

**TITLE:**

Designate City Administrator as City's Applicant Agent for Public Assistance

**SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Resolution No. R2020-017 authorizing and designating the City Administrator to act as the City's agent for public assistance, to execute and file applications for public assistance in the appropriate state offices, and to provide information to federal and state authorities for the purpose of obtaining disaster relief and emergency assistance during the COVID-19 public health emergency. (Administration) (Philip Rodriguez)

**REPORT:**

The World Health Organization (WHO) declared a public health emergency on January 30, 2020, related to the spread of the novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak on January 31, 2020, which the WHO officially declared a pandemic on March 11, 2020. The Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, on March 11, 2020, declared a State of Emergency exists in Arizona due to the COVID-19 outbreak. The President of the United States of America, Donald J. Trump, on March 13, 2020 found and proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(e) of the Yuma City Charter and the City of Yuma Emergency Operations Plan adopted by City Council Resolution No. R2019-034, on March 15, 2020, Mayor Douglas J. Nicholls issued a Proclamation of Emergency, declaring a state of local emergency in connection with the COVID-19 outbreak.

The City is responding to the spread of COVID-19 and working with federal, state, and local governmental authorities and with schools, businesses, non-profits, medical facilities, and faith groups within the City to combat and reduce the spread of the COVID-19 outbreak.

In accordance with Section 502 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5207 (Disaster Relief Act), eligible emergency protective measures taken to respond to the COVID-19 emergency at the direction or guidance of public health officials may be reimbursed under Category B of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) Public Assistance Program (Public Assistance). To seek FEMA

public assistance reimbursements, the City must designate an applicant agent authorized to execute for, and on behalf of the City.

Adopting Resolution No. R2020-017 will allow the City Administrator to proceed, execute and file applications for public assistance in the appropriate state offices, and to provide information to federal and state authorities for the purpose of obtaining certain financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act or otherwise available from the disaster relief fund for public assistance.

FISCAL REQUIREMENTS	CITY FUNDS:	\$0.00	BUDGETED:	\$0.00
	STATE FUNDS:	\$0.00	AVAILABLE TO TRANSFER:	\$0.00
	FEDERAL FUNDS:		IN CONTINGENCY:	\$0.00
	OTHER SOURCES:	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	FUNDING FOR THIS ITEM IS FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT / FUND / CIP:	
	TOTAL:	\$0.00		
	FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:			
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	SUPPORTING INFORMATION NOT ATTACHED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM THAT IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK:			
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IF CITY COUNCIL ACTION INCLUDES A CONTRACT, LEASE OR AGREEMENT, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROUTING THE DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE AFTER CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL?				
<input type="radio"/> Department <input checked="" type="radio"/> City Clerk's Office <input type="checkbox"/> Document to be recorded <input type="checkbox"/> Document to be codified				
SIGNATURES	CITY ADMINISTRATOR:			DATE:
	Philip A. Rodriguez			4/28/2020
	REVIEWED BY CITY ATTORNEY:			DATE:
	Richard W. Files			4/28/2020
RECOMMENDED BY (DEPT/DIV HEAD):			DATE:	
WRITTEN/SUBMITTED BY:			DATE:	