

Agenda Item

City Council

Item #: 3.7. 8/9/2022 **File #:** 22-0455

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THRU: Rob Houston, City Manager

FROM: Sean deMetropolis, Fire Chief

1. SUBJECT

Appropriation of \$192,516.14 in State of California Office of Emergency Services funding received.

2. SUMMARY

Costs for strike team and individual overhead deployments represent non-budgeted expenditures for the Fire Department. These costs are reimbursed by the State of California Office of Emergency Services at a later date. Staff is requesting that funds be appropriated into the appropriate expenditure accounts for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. Accept into the City's revenue budget \$192,516.14 in strike team reimbursement funds from the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES), into the revenue account numbers for Cal-OES reimbursements as specified in Section 6 of the staff report.
- 2. Authorize the appropriation of \$190,469.12 into the expenditure account numbers for Overtime -Safety as specified in Section 6 of the staff report.
- 3. Authorize the appropriation of \$2,047.02 into the expenditure account numbers for Strike Team Expenditures as specified in Section 6 of the staff report.

4. FISCAL IMPACT

The total appropriations for this reimbursement are funded by the additional revenue received from the State of California Office of Emergency Services.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Provide for a safe community

a. Provide staffing and resources to deliver services that ensure public safety.

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The Orange City Fire Department is party to a state-level agreement with the State of California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES) to provide fire and emergency assistance to state and federal fire agencies. This agreement is managed by Cal-OES and referred to as the California Fire Assistance Agreement (CFAA). Under this agreement, the Orange City Fire Department generally provides resources two different ways: Strike Teams and Individual Overhead.

Strike team deployments involve an Engine Company, or a Battalion Chief, or a Deputy Chief

responding to an incident with their vehicle, as part of a multi-agency team. Individual Overhead resources respond to fill a specific role for an incident, such as Safety Officer or Line Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

Upon return from an incident, reimbursement paperwork and invoices are submitted to Cal-OES. The Fire Department recently received reimbursement payments for the Emerald Fire for \$42,620.67, and the Crooks Fire for \$149,895.47. Staff is requesting that funds be appropriated into the appropriate expenditure accounts for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The additional funds will reimburse Fire Department overtime and travel expenditures incurred during these incidents.

Staff recommends acceptance of revenue and appropriation of expenditures as follows:

Cal-OES reimbursements (revenue account 100.3024.48212.xxxxx):

Overtime-Safety (expenditure account 100.3024.50221.xxxxx):

Strike Team (expenditure account 100.3024.53860.xxxxx):

\$ 2,047.02 .40297 - Crooks Fire

7. ATTACHMENTS

None