

**FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION THAT AN ITEM MAY BE
SUBSEQUENTLY ADDED TO THE AGENDA OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



DATE: September 26, 2017

The BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of the County of Riverside hereby finds:

- ☒ That there is a need to place an item on the agenda for action by the Board of Supervisors.
- ☐ An emergency situation exists as defined in Government Code Section 54956.5 in that:
 - ☐ (a) Work stoppage or other activity which severely impairs public health, safety, or both, as determined by a majority of the members of the legislative body.
 - ☐ (b) Crippling disaster which severely impairs public health, safety or both as determined by a majority of the members of the legislative body.
- ☒ The item on which the action is to be taken came to the attention of the County subsequent to the agenda being posted and there is need to take immediate action on the item.
- ☐ The item was continued for no more than five calendar days from a prior meeting for which the item was posted.

JUSTIFICATION:

The item came to the attention of the Board of Supervisors subsequent to the agenda being posted and requires Board action to adopt Resolution 2017-214 declaring the existence of a local emergency in the County of Riverside for the Canyon Fire.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


(1)

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation to add an Item to the Board of Supervisors' Agenda, declaring the existence of a local emergency in the County of Riverside for the Canyon Fire, is approved.

(2)

On Motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors Adopt Resolution 2017-214, declaring the existence of a local emergency in the County of Riverside for the Canyon Fire.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: September 26, 2017
xc: EMD

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-214

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4 RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
5 DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
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7 WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630 authorizes the Board of Supervisors to
8 proclaim the existence of a "local emergency"; and,

9 WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8558(c) defines such conditions as air pollution,
10 fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, sudden and severe energy shortage, plant or animal infestation
11 or disease, the Governor's warning of an earthquake, or volcanic prediction, or an earthquake or other
12 conditions, other than conditions resulting from a labor controversy, which conditions are likely to be
13 beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of that political subdivision and
14 require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat"; and,

15 WHEREAS, due to a major fire incident which started on September 25, 2017, that burned
16 over 2,000 acres and is threatening lives and property and caused evacuation of over 600 homes resulting
17 in conditions of extreme peril and threatening the safety of persons, property and critical infrastructure;
18 and,

19 WHEREAS, the Canyon Fire has impacted thousands of residents and damages or
20 threatened major communication systems and, damaged public and private infrastructure; and,

21 WHEREAS, the County of Riverside is working with Local, State, Federal government
22 and non-profit resources to assist with response and recovery efforts; and,

23 WHEREAS, private property, public roads, and public infrastructure have been impacted
24 by the fire incident; and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the
proclamation of a "local emergency".

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND DECLARED by the Board of
2 Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on
3 September 25, 2017, that an emergency now exists within said County; and,

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said
5 emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency
6 Management Department of Riverside County shall be those prescribed by State law and the ordinances,
7 resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Riverside in order to mitigate the effects of said
8 emergency; and,

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that all County officials and employees
10 cooperate and coordinate efforts with officials and employees of other political subdivisions and officials
11 and employees of the state and federal government in bringing the present condition of local emergency
12 and disaster under control; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that within the next thirty (30) days a
14 report on the most recent conditions of emergency and disaster be presented to this Board of Supervisors
15 so that this Board may determine whether conditions of emergency and disaster still exist; and,

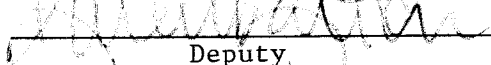
16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that a copy of this resolution be
17 forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of
18 Emergency throughout the impacted areas of Riverside County.

19 ROLL CALL:

20 Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
21 Nays: None
22 Absent: None

23 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly
24 adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

25 KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

26 By  Deputy
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