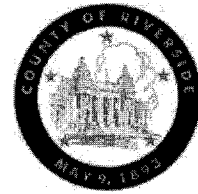


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM  
3.58  
(ID # 6010)**

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, December 12, 2017


**FROM :** EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT:

**SUBJECT:** EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT: Proclamation of a Local  
Emergency in Riverside County due to the Liberty Fire.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2017-248 proclaiming a Local Emergency due to multiple fires and other incidents related to extreme weather conditions.

**ACTION:**

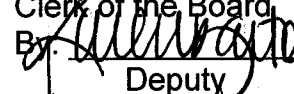
  
Bruce Barton, EMD Director 12/8/2017

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Tavaglione, Perez and Ashley  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Washington  
**Date:** December 12, 2017  
**xc:** EMD

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** [CEO use]

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

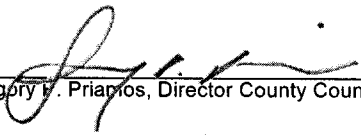
Conditions of extreme peril to the safety of person, property and critical infrastructure exists due to multiple fires and adverse weather conditions, including low humidity and Santa Ana winds, which began on December 4, 2017.

The Emergency Management Department has requested assistance for response related costs from the California Office of Emergency Services through the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDA).

It is requested that the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2017-248 declaring the existence of a local emergency.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Thousands of residents have been impacted by the extreme weather conditions and fires.

  
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Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel      12/8/2017

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-248

4 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL  
5 EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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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, since December 4, 2017, Riverside County experienced extreme weather  
16 conditions including unprecedented and sustained damaging wind events, numerous local vegetation fires,  
17 and precautionary and involuntary power outages which have created dangerous conditions and necessitated  
18 closure of schools in several districts; and,

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

21 WHEREAS, Riverside County was included in the Federal Emergency Declaration on  
22 December 8, 2017.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND DECLARED by the Board of  
24 Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on December 12,  
25 2017, that an emergency now exists within said County; and,

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said  
27 emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency  
28 Management Department of Riverside County shall be those prescribed by State law and the ordinances,

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL 12/11/17  
BY: GREGORY P. PRAMOS DATE

1 resolutions and approved plans of the County of Riverside in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency;  
2 and,

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that all County officials and employees  
4 cooperate and coordinate efforts with officials and employees of other political subdivisions and officials  
5 and employees of the state and federal government in bringing the present condition of local emergency  
6 under control; and,

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

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded  
11 to the Governor of California with the request that he add Riverside County to the list of impacted counties  
12 in his Proclamation of a State of Emergency issued on December 8, 2017 so that the County may request  
13 California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) reimbursement for response related costs.

14 ROLL CALL:

15 Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Perez and Ashley  
16 Nays: None  
17 Absent: Washington

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

21 KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

22 By  \_\_\_\_\_  
23 Deputy

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