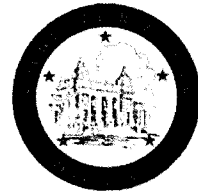


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 1.1  
MT: (ID # 11123)**

**MEETING DATE:**

Thursday, October 17, 2019

**FROM: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT:**

**SUBJECT: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT: Ratify Proclamation of Local  
Emergency in Riverside County due to the October 2019 Fire Incidents**

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

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2019-234 to ratify the proclamation of Local Emergency as declared by the Director of Emergency Services.

**ACTION:**

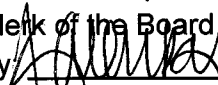
  
Bruce Barton, EMD Director 10/11/2019

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Hewitt, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** None  
**Date:** October 17, 2019  
**xc:** EMD

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By   
Deputy

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment: No</b>	
			<b>For Fiscal Year: 19/20</b>	

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

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

A red flag warning for critical fire conditions began on October 10, 2019, prompting possible Public Safety Power Shutoffs in different areas of Riverside County and throughout California. The County/Operational Area Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated to monitor the impacts of possible wide-spread power shut-offs and coordinate support efforts for public safety response. In preparation for the dangerous fire conditions, the Riverside County Fire Department and partner public safety agencies augmented resources across the County. During the day of October 10<sup>th</sup>, due to the extreme winds and dry conditions, several fires broke out, impacting numerous communities across Western Riverside County. Evacuation orders were issued for the communities of Calimesa, Reche Canyon and other surrounding areas. The Sandalwood Fire in the city of Calimesa destroyed or damaged 90 residential structures, causing loss of life and displacement of residents. These conditions of extreme peril necessitated the proclamation of a local emergency by the Director of Emergency Services, as the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside was not in session. It is requested that the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2019-234 to ratify the Proclamation of Local Emergency as declared by the Director of Emergency Services.

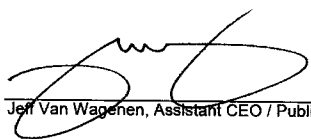
**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Many residents of Western Riverside County have been impacted by the Sandalwood, Reche Canyon, Eagle and Wolf fire incidents. The ongoing fire and aftermath will necessitate resources from both State and local entities. The Proclamation of Local Emergency begins the process to receive resources for assistance to first responders, residents and others impacted by the fire.

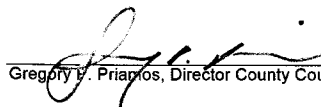
**ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution No. 2019-234 Ratify Existence of a Local Emergency

Proclamation of a Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services, October 11, 2019



Jeff Van Wageningen, Assistant CEO / Public Safety 10/14/2019



Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel 10/11/2019

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2019-234

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5 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
6 THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE RATIFYING EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

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8 WHEREAS, County Ordinance No. 533 empowers the Director of Emergency Services of  
9 the County of Riverside to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when the  
10 County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not  
11 in session, subject to the ratification by the County Board of Supervisors within seven (7) days; and

12 WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to safety of persons and property have arisen  
13 within this County, caused by the Eagle, Sandalwood, Reche and Wolf Fire incidents, which have  
14 impacted numerous communities across Western Riverside County, commencing on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
15 October, 2019.

16 WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Riverside did proclaim  
17 the existence of a Local Emergency within said County on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019; now, therefore,


18 IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the proclamation of a Local  
19 Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Riverside is hereby ratified, and that  
20 said Local Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the  
21 County Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside.

22 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be  
23 forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of  
24 Emergency through the impacted areas of Riverside County and provide or request all eligible State and  
25 Federal financial assistance to the County and impacted local jurisdictions.

26 ROLL CALL:

27 Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
28 Nays: None  
Absent: None

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

KECIA R. HARPER, Clerk of said Board  
By  Deputy

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY:  GREGORY P. PRIAMOS  
DATE: 10/16/19

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, Ordinance 533.7 of the County of Riverside empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a "Local Emergency" when the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds:

That at the time of this proclamation the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and,

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of Riverside caused by the Eagle, Sandalwood, Reche and Wolf Fire incidents, which have impacted numerous communities across Western Riverside County; and;

WHEREAS, there exists an imminent threat to life, property, critical infrastructure and the environment; and,

WHEREAS, State and local government resources have been called upon to assist in fire suppression and structure protection efforts; and,

WHEREAS, evacuation orders have been issued for the communities of Calimesa, Reche Canyon, and other surrounding areas; and,

WHEREAS, the Sandalwood Fire has destroyed or damaged 90 residential structures in the City of Calimesa causing loss of life and displacement of residents; and,

WHEREAS, proximity of the fires poses severe and imminent threat to numerous residents and commercial property within these communities, as well as other communities; and,

WHEREAS, that the potential of the aforementioned conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of a "Local Emergency".

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a "Local Emergency" exists throughout the County of Riverside; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said "Local Emergency", the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Management Organization of this County shall be those prescribed by State law and the charter, ordinances, resolutions and approved plans of the County of Riverside in order to mitigate the effects of said "Local Emergency"; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said "Local Emergency" shall be deemed to continue to exist for the next seven (7) days, and thereafter by ratification of the Board of Supervisors, until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency throughout the impacted areas of Riverside County and provide or request all eligible State and Federal financial assistance to the County and impacted local jurisdictions.

Dated: October 11, 2019

  
Director of Emergency Services  
County of Riverside

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL 10/16/19  
BY: GREGORY P. PRIAMOS

DATE

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),  
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject  
to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.

**SPEAKER'S NAME:** LARRY SMITH

**Address:** 10961 DESERT LAWN DR.  
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

**City:** CALIMESA **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** 951 330-1723

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Agenda #** 1.1

**PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:**

**Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:**

**Support**       **Oppose**       **Neutral**

**Note:** If you are here for an agenda item that is filed  
for "Appeal", please state separately your position on  
the appeal below:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Support**      \_\_\_\_\_ **Oppose**      \_\_\_\_\_ **Neutral**

**I give my 3 minutes to:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **BOARD RULES**

### **Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:**

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

### **Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

### **Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:**

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

### **Individual Speaker Limits:**

**Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.** Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. **Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.**

### **Group/Organized Presentations:**

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

### **Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:**

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.