

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 362020 HURRICANE LAURA

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Application for Reimbursement of Disaster Assistance Expenditures Related to Hurricane Laura from the State of Texas and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance Providing Interim Funding in the Amount of \$1,000,000.00

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize application for reimbursement of disaster assistance expenditures related to Hurricane Laura from the State of Texas; and
  2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations to create interim funding in the Grants Operating Other Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.
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**DISCUSSION:**

The City of Fort Worth received evacuees from coastal areas of Texas and Louisiana that were impacted by Hurricane Laura. The City of Fort Worth, at the request of the State of Texas, provided emergency sheltering and other services to deal with the humanitarian needs associated with the hurricane-related evacuations.

Various City of Fort Worth departments were involved in the effort providing food, water, shelter, and other necessities. Expenditures included personnel (regular and overtime), supplies, equipment, and contractual expenses. In addition, the Code Compliance Department supported animal sheltering on request by the State for a separate State-run shelter in Tarrant County.

This appropriation for interim funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 will allow expenses to be isolated and accumulated for reimbursement. Any expenses incurred but not reimbursed by the State will be returned to the original fund in the Fiscal Year open when that determination is made. No indirect costs are expected to be recovered.

ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS are affected and included.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: State of Texas

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the budget, as appropriated, of the Grants Operating Other Fund. The Emergency Operations Center and Financial Management Services will be responsible for identifying and approving eligible expenditures. All City Departments will be responsible for ensuring that only expenditures directly related to Hurricane Laura, incurred during the allowable period, with appropriate documentation, are charged to this funding source. This is a reimbursement grant.

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