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MEETING DATE: February 9, 2017
LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): All Districts
SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Sheriff-Coroner Department
DEPARTMENT HEAD REVIEW: 
Department Head Signature
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SUBJECT: Resolution Ratifying Proclamation of Local Emergency Winter Storm Events

CEO CONCUR


CEO Signature

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW


County Counsel Signature

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Discussion

3 Votes Board Majority

Budgeted: N/A

Current Year Cost: See Financial
Impact Section

Annual Cost: N/A

Staffing Impact: N/A

of Positions:

Sole Source: N/A

Current Fiscal Year Revenue: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

County Audit in last 3 years N/A

Prior Board Action: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S)

1. Adopt resolution ratifying the Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisor's Proclamation of Local Emergency of the 2017 Winter Storm Events.
2. Direct staff to agendize this item on the Board of Supervisors meeting agenda for February 28, 2017, to consider whether to continue the Proclamation of Emergency in effect, pursuant to Government Code section 8630 and section 3-1-6 (a) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Orange which requires review of the need for continuing the local emergency at least every 30 days until the emergency is terminated.

SUMMARY:

Recent and ongoing winter storm events necessitated the declaration of a local emergency. At the time of the Proclamation of Local Emergency of the 2017 Winter Storm Events, the Board of Supervisors was not in session, necessitating the Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors, acting as the chair of the Emergency

Management Council, make the necessary proclamation. To remain effective, the proclamation requires ratification by the Board of Supervisors.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Beginning January 19, 2017, a series of major winter storms impacted a majority of Southern California including Orange County. Public agencies, businesses and thousands of residents were impacted by the storm event through power outages, debris flows, slope failures, road closures, school impacts, debris removal, swift water rescues, flood channel overflows, water facility failures, public building, infrastructure damage and private property damage. Additional storms are predicted.

Orange County Operational Area (Operational Area) jurisdictions have been assessing damage assessments related to the winter storm event, with estimates at the time of this report reaching \$8.8 million in damage. On Friday, February 3, 2017, Supervisor Andrew Do, acting as the Chair of the Board, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency in Orange County. Pursuant to Government Code section 8630 and section 3-1-6 (a) of the Codified Ordinance of the County of Orange, the Proclamation is presented to the Board of Supervisors for ratification.

Public Assistance efforts with California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) have begun. The County of Orange (County) has requested that the governor declare a State of Emergency and make all relevant funds available to the County and all eligible organizations. The County also request that the governor request that the President of the United States make a Presidential declaration of emergency for the County, and make all relevant funds available including but not limited to: California Disaster Assistance Act funds, State Private Nonprofit Organization Assistance Program funds, and the Small Business Administration funding.

Once the Initial Damage Assessment Process has been approved by Cal OES, the Orange County Sheriff-Coroner Department (Sheriff), Emergency Management Division will coordinate the arrival and escort of preliminary damage assessment teams from the state and federal agencies. The Board of Supervisors will be kept apprised of this process by the Sheriff's Emergency Management Division.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Initial damage reports from the Operational Area place the damage caused by the winter storm at \$8.8 million. By receiving matching funds from the Cal OES and Federal Emergency Management Administration the OCSD will be able to assist the community with damage recovery and recover some of the expenses associated with services provided during and after the 2017 Winter Storm Events.

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment A - Proclamation of Local Emergency of the 2017 Winter Storm Events

Attachment B - Government Code Section 8630 and Section 3-1-6 (a) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Orange

Attachment C - Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988

Attachment D – Draft Resolution