



Legislation Text

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Summary

To: Mayor Gary H. Katica, Commissioners
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Subject:

Disaster Debris Collection & Removal and Debris Monitoring

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The town is participating in the agreements developed by Pinellas County for Disaster Debris Collection & Removal and Debris Monitoring. The contractors involved are Phillips & Jordan for Collection & Removal and TetraTech for Monitoring. Town staff has prepared a preliminary cost estimate for budgetary purposes

Previous Commission Action: At the previous meeting on September 5th the Town Commission declared a local state of emergency in response to Hurricane Irma.

Background/Problem Discussion: Staff has performed a preliminary damage assessment and begun recovery operations. Initial estimates put the volume of debris to be collected at approximately 8,170 cubic yards. Removal and monitoring of the debris operations will be critical for a speedy recovery for the town and prompt reimbursement for costs incurred from FEMA.

Expenditure Challenges The town commission previously approved \$100,000 for Hurricane Irma relief costs in the town. This will be accompanied by an additional estimated cost of \$292,896 for debris collection, removal, and the monitoring of those activities. Staff is requesting \$300,000 to be attributed to these operations. Staff estimates reimbursement of 87.5% of these costs, leaving the town with a projected residual cost of \$36,600.

Financial Implications: The cost is dependent on the volume of debris management work to be performed following a disaster event. Town staff is projecting Debris Collection & Removal costs of \$208,700 and Monitoring costs of \$84,200. Projected offsetting revenue from FEMA public assistance is expected at 75%, as well as a 12.5% reimbursement from the State of Florida, leaving the town with its 12.5% portion of cost.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the budget be amended as proposed.

Proposed Motion I move approval of the Resolution 2017-22 amending fiscal year 2016-17 budget.