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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 89857 C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 89376 CMS, WHICH AWARDED A GRANT TO THE OAKLAND FIRESAFE COUNCIL TO FUND COORDINATION ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE, BY: (1) INCREASING THE TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT BY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000) FROM ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) TO ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$131,000) TO SUPPORT REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL WILDFIRE PREVENTION EFFORTS; AND (2) CORRECT THE NAME OF THE GRANT RECIPIENT FROM "FIRESAFE COUNCIL" TO "THE OAKLAND FIRESAFE COUNCIL"

WHEREAS, the series of historic wildfires throughout California and the Western United States in recent years demonstrates that the impacts of global climate change will continue to have potentially devastating local effects throughout the region; including habitat destruction, loss of life, economic impacts, infrastructural damage, and public health hazards associated with air quality, and

WHEREAS, reactive approaches to fire management and containment are deployed during times of crisis and overextend local and state resources; and

WHEREAS, the spread of wildfire does not respect political or jurisdictional boundaries; burn areas and air quality impacts from smoke extend throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, a large portion of the East Bay region, including the East Bay Hills from Hercules to Fremont are a CalFire designated high-risk danger zone; and

WHEREAS, a more coordinated approach among jurisdictions and investment in wildfire prevention and vegetation management will help to mitigate the number and severity of wildfire events; and

WHEREAS, regional intergovernmental coordination may prove both more effective and more

efficient in developing and implementing best practices, as well as sharing expertise and other resources; and

WHEREAS, the East Bay Region contains more than 20 municipalities, counties, and fire districts, including the City of Oakland, that may benefit from a coordinated fire management approach; and

WHEREAS, several local jurisdictions, including the City of Oakland, University of California at Berkeley, East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD), the City of Berkeley, Contra Costa County, East Bay Municipal Utilities District, and the City of Orinda, have been involved in the interagency fire prevention work for over three years coordinated by the Oakland City Administration; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Berkeley, El Cerrito, Pinole, Kensington and Richmond, as well as Alameda County have passed similar resolutions in support of regional intergovernmental wildfire prevention collaboration; and

WHEREAS, this additional grant allocation of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) would be used by the Oakland Fire Safe Council to support such intergovernmental wildfire prevention efforts, including a forthcoming Memorandum of Understanding among several jurisdictions in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, including the City of Oakland, to establish a framework to coordinate such efforts; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 89376 CMS, which awarded a grant to the Oakland Firesafe Council to fund coordination on emergency preparedness and response, did not have that entity's correct name and this resolution would: (1) increase the total grant amount by six thousand dollars (\$6,000) from one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) to one hundred and thirty-one thousand dollars (\$131,000) to support regional intergovernmental wildfire prevention efforts; and (2) correct the name of the grant recipient from "Firesafe Council" to "the Oakland Firesafe Council," now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That Resolution 89376 CMS is amended to authorize an increase for the existing grant agreement with the Oakland Firesafe Council from one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125,000) to one hundred and thirty-one dollars (\$131,000) to support regional intergovernmental wildfire prevention efforts in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That Resolution 89376 CMS is also amended to correct the name of the grant recipient from "Firesafe Council" to "the Oakland Firesafe Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: The Additional funding of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) will be withdrawn from the General-Purpose Fund (1010), Emergency Services Organization (20711), Administrative Project (1000009), and Office of Emergency Services Program (PS21); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland agrees to extend the length of its agreement with the Oakland Firesafe Council by twelve months starting July 1, 2023, in order to draft a Memorandum of Understanding to address an intergovernmental regional in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties approach to vegetation management in the region; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland will allocate Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to support the consultants and attorneys appointed by the Oakland Firesafe Council to draft a forthcoming Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between several jurisdictions in Contra Costa and Alameda

Counties, including the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Oakland Fire Department staff will return to City Council to seek authority for the City to enter in to the intergovernmental MOU.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: JUL 18 2023


AYES- FIFE, GALLO, ~~MINNICK~~ KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS -7

NOES ϕ

ABSENT ϕ

ABSTENTION ϕ

7 Excused-Jenkins

ATTEST: 
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of
Oakland, California