

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: SUE GALLAGHER, CITY ATTORNEY
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SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
DUE TO THE 2021 FLOOD

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the City Attorney's Office that the Council, by resolution, terminate the Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency, first proclaimed on October 24, 2021 and ratified on October 29, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff recommends that Council, by resolution, terminate the City's Proclamation of Local Emergency due to the 2021 Flood Event as the conditions that gave rise to the Proclamation no longer exist.

BACKGROUND

Conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property had arisen within the City, caused by significant rain and flash flooding due to an atmospheric river event impacting the region beginning on Saturday October 23, 2021. The storm caused localized flooding across the city and resulted in extensive water intrusion and significant damage to several homes and apartment buildings. Public roadway infrastructure and building facilities also experienced damage due to flooding response and water inundation.

On October 24, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., Acting City Manager Jason Nutt, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency in the City of Santa Rosa. That proclamation was ratified by the Council on October 29, 2021, by Resolution RES-2021-182.

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PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On October 29, 2021, by Resolution RES-2021-182, Council ratified the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency issued by the Director of Emergency Services, dated October 24, 2021.

ANALYSIS

Although City residents are still engaged in recovery and restoration of the damages caused by the flooding, staff finds that the extraordinary powers and procedures available under the Proclamation of Existence of Local Emergency are no longer necessary.

FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378 in that no activity with the potential for resulting in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment is proposed.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Resolution RES-2020-182 (2021 Flood)
- Resolution

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