

City of Santa Rosa



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Title: REPORT - FISCAL YEAR-END APPROPRIATION FOR COVID-19 AND PG&E PSPS RELATED EXPENDITURES

BACKGROUND: When emergencies occur, especially those requiring a declaration of local emergency, staff will open certain unique project accounts against which departments charge expenditures related to the emergency. These project accounts do not have appropriations to offset the expenditures, creating a negative balance, and negative balances must be corrected during the fiscal year-end process.

Based on the City's experiences with the Tubbs Fire, staff uses unique project accounts to pay for emergency expenditures. This practice makes it easier to isolate emergency-related expenditures for potential reimbursement documentation. However, due to the unforeseen nature of emergencies, these projects do not have budget appropriations, and the expenditures result in negative balances. These negative balances must be fixed during the year-end close process.

This item requests an appropriation of \$1.885 million from the General Fund reserves to offset unbudgeted emergency costs due to the COVID-19 pandemic and six PG&E PSPS events. The COVID-19 related expenditures, totaling approximately \$1.75 million of these expenditures, are expenditures the City will seek reimbursement for under the FEMA Public Assistance program.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Finance Department that the City Council, by resolution, increase appropriations from the General Fund reserves to offset negative account balances related to the City's response to PG&E's Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events and the COVID-19 pandemic.

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