



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement with Merced County Department of Workforce Investment for the Storm National Dislocated Worker Grant Project to Provide the City with Temporary Extra-Help Workers

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an agreement with the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment to provide the City with temporary workers for weed abatement, creek clean up, debris removal, park clean up, road repair, and other authorized job activities. If approved, the workers will be employed as extra-help employees of the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment, who will pay all payroll expenses for the workers through the grant program. The City of Merced will provide worksite training for the workers.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving the Storm National Dislocated Worker Grant Project Agreement with the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment, and authorizing the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff;
2. Approve, subject to modifications conditioned by City Council;
3. Refer to a future meeting for reconsideration of specific items; or
4. Deny.

AUTHORITY

Merced City Charter, Section 200.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This will help address multiple Council Priorities, including Parks Maintenance and Local Roads/Sidewalks/Traffic. The program provides temporary workers to assist in activities such as park clean-ups and road repair.

DISCUSSION

The Merced County Department of Workforce Investment is the administrator of the Storm National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG) Project. The purpose of this program is to provide temporary employment for dislocated workers, terminated and laid-off participants, to enhance their employability. The workers are considered extra-help employees of the Merced County Department

of Workforce Investment and all payroll expenses are paid for by the NDWG program.

The NDWG program provides workers to assist with storm clean-up activities, including weed abatement, creek clean up, debris removal, park clean up, road repair, and other activities. The City of Merced will provide worksite training and duties at the City of Merced Public Works Corporation Yard.

This program has been used in the past with great success. This second round program term will commence November 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. Staff recommends approving the agreement for temporary workers.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

No appropriation of funds is needed. Funding for the temporary workers is provided for by the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Dislocated Worker Agreement