



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution 2023-20 Confirming the Existence of a Local Emergency Within the Territorial Limits of the City of Merced as Proclaimed by the Director of Emergency Services on March 9, 2023 Pursuant to Merced Municipal Code Section 8.20.070

REPORT IN BRIEF

Asking the City Council to Declare a State of Emergency Due to Severe Storms and Potential Flooding.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion adopting **Resolution 2023-20**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, confirming the existence of a local emergency

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommend by Staff; or,
2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by Staff; or,
3. Deny; or,
4. Refer to Staff for reconsideration of specific items; or,
5. Continue to a future meeting.

AUTHORITY

Merced Municipal Code Section 8.20.070

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2023/2024 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

On Wednesday, March 8, 2023, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency in response to a series of storms expected to impact California. On Wednesday, March 8, 2023, Merced County activated the Merced County Emergency Operations Center.

The storm is predicted to cause local creek levels to rise past flood stage. Thus, the City of Merced Director of Emergency Services, Stephanie Dietz, issued a proclamation of local emergency the morning of March 9, 2023, and activated the City's emergency operation center (EOC). EOC Staff began to hold daily planning and operational meetings with all City departments and local cooperators, such as Merced County, Merced Irrigation District, and Merced School Districts.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

Any costs incurred or needed due to the emergency will be gathered and reported to the City Council in conjunction with any funding and/or appropriation request at a future City Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proclamation of Local Emergency
2. Resolution 2023-20