

RESOLUTION NO. 24-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER,
FLORIDA, CONFIRMING A DECLARATION OF A
STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ESTABLISHING
EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES;
ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY EMPLOYEE WORK
SCHEDULES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, a state of emergency in the City of Clearwater was proclaimed by Mayor Bruce Rector on September 24, 2024, and extended for an additional seven days, based on conditions surrounding Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, the entire City of Clearwater was impacted by the wind, rain, and storm surge of Hurricane Helene and the disruption of services; and

WHEREAS, conditions arising from the above-stated emergency have necessitated the establishment of emergency procurement procedures; and

WHEREAS, conditions arising from the above-stated emergency have necessitated the establishment of emergency employee work schedules and compensation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The declaration of a state of emergency proclaimed on September 24, 2024, and the seven-day extension of that emergency are hereby confirmed.

Section 2. It was necessary to establish the following emergency procurement procedures:

- The bid/quote requirements were suspended;
- Awards of contract for specified department directors were increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000;
- The City Manager and Assistant City Manager were authorized to award contracts without bid through \$100,000;
- The City Manager had emergency authority above \$100,000, but must present an after-action ratification item to the City Council for approval at the next available Council Meeting; and
- Department directors involved in emergency and public services and other selected personnel were increased to a "reasonable" amount with the top limits reserved for the City Manager and Assistant City Manager only.

Section 3. It was necessary to implement emergency employee work schedules and compensation in accordance with established city policy and procedure as deemed appropriate by the City Manager.

Section 4. This resolution shall be effective and shall terminate concurrently with the Pinellas County declaration of a State of Emergency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this October 3, 2024.

Bruce Rector
Mayor

Approved as to form:

Attest:

Owen Kohler
Lead Assistant City Attorney

Rosemarie Call
City Clerk