



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Federally-Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement for public assistance support for COVID-19 expenditures and authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into, approve, and execute same and any future modifications for COVID-19 expenditures. (consent)

SUMMARY:

Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance program is a Federal grant to aid State and Local governments.

FEMA recognizes that noncompetitive procurements may be necessary to save lives, to protect property and public health, and to ensure public safety, as well as to lessen or avert the threat of catastrophe. The President's unprecedented Nationwide Emergency Declaration and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declaration of a Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 establish that exigent and emergency circumstances currently exist.

For the duration of the Public Health Emergency, which began January 27, 2020, as determined by HHS, entities may proceed with new and existing noncompetitively procured contracts in order to protect property and public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threats created by emergency situations for 1) Emergency protective measures under FEMA's Public Assistance Program and 2) Use of FEMA non-disaster grant funds by non-state recipients and sub-recipients to respond to or address COVID-19.

A Request for Public Assistance (RPA) was submitted and approved. FEMA and the State share the responsibility for making Public Assistance funds available to the Subgrantee/Subrecipient. It is now necessary for the City of Clearwater, as the Subgrantee/Subrecipient, to enter into the Agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (the Grantee/Recipient) in order to participate in this grant program.

APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:

NA

USE OF RESERVE FUNDS:

NA