

Staff Report

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Subject:

Resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2018 General Fund Budget for unanticipated revenues and realigning appropriation from the General Government (Reserve for Contingencies) cost center to the Emergency Events cost center in the General Fund for expenditures related to Hurricane Irma.

Recommended Action:

Approval of resolution supplementing the FY18 General Fund Budget for unanticipated revenues and realigning appropriation from the General Government (Reserve for Contingencies) cost center to the Emergency Events cost center in the General Fund for expenditures related to Hurricane Irma.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers 5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

Summary:

This resolution recognizes and appropriates \$4.6M in grant revenue projected to be received in FY18 as reimbursement to the General Fund from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a portion of Hurricane Irma expenses. An additional \$17.6M is expected to be received during FY19.

This resolution also realigns \$12.7M from General Fund Reserves to offset FY18 expenditures related to Hurricane Irma. These expenses include \$9.8M for debris removal, a \$2.7M reimbursement to the School District for emergency shelters, a total of \$4.8M for street light repair, building and equipment repair, and the repair of the Belleair boat ramp docks.

The total impact on the General Fund for Irma-related expenditures for FY17 and FY18 is \$22.8M. Approximately \$22.2M of this amount is anticipated to be reimbursed by FEMA.

Background Information:

On September 10, 2017, Hurricane Irma passed through Pinellas County. The County suffered significant damage from high winds, particularly in the form of widespread power outages and storm debris. Resolution 17-58, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners (Board) on September 7, 2017, declared a state of local emergency and Resolution 17-59, adopted September 14, 2017, extended the state of local emergency through September 21.

The Emergency Events program is used to consolidate expenditures incurred during an event to

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allow for accurate tracking of those expenses in support of reimbursement of eligible expenditures from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance Grant Program.

Fiscal Impact:

This resolution recognizes \$4.6M in unanticipated grant revenue projected to be received from FEMA in FY18 and increases the General Fund FY18 Budget by the same amount. Additionally, \$12.7M is realigned from General Fund Reserves to offset FY18 expenditures related to Hurricane Irma.

This resolution is consistent with the FY18 estimate submitted during the FY19 budget development process.

Staff Member Responsible:

Cecilia McCorkell, Management and Budget Manager, Office of Management & Budget

Partners:

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) State of Florida Division of Emergency Management

Attachments:

Resolution