



STAFF REPORT

Flagler Beach Regular City Commission Meeting

March 14, 2024

To: Elected Officials

From: Dale. L. Martin

Date: March 14, 2024

Item Name: Resolution 2024-09, a resolution by the City of Flagler Beach, Florida, authorizing the Mayor to execute Statewide Mutual Aide Agreements and related documents; providing for conflict and effective date.

Background: The Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (SMAA) allows for the provision of support, in an emergency or disaster, from one community (local government, district, etc.) to another within the State of Florida, to include support to and from the State itself.

The SMAA provides a process that allows communities providing Mutual Aid to claim reimbursement of incurred expenses from the community requesting Mutual Aid consistent with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and/or State of Florida reimbursement guidelines even without a Federal Disaster Declaration. The State of Florida, its Counties, and all but a few local governments (as well as other political subdivisions such as School and Water Management Districts) are participants in the SMAA.

The Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, provides each local government the authority to develop and enter into a mutual aid agreement with the State of Florida for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of emergencies. The assistance is provided when emergencies are too expensive to be dealt with unassisted and to ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance.

Fiscal Impact: As indicated, if the City provides mutual aid assistance to another participating community, the City will be eligible to seek reimbursement for the costs associated with that assistance.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of proposed Resolution 2024-09.

Attachment: Resolution 2024-09