



Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	9/13/2022
AGENDA SECTION:	Consent Calendar
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 10918 - A Resolution Authorizing and Accepting a Grant Award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services for the Implementation of the City of Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan
FROM:	Parks and Recreation Department

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

Staff recommends the City Council approve Resolution No. 10918 - A Resolution Authorizing and Accepting a Grant Award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services for the Implementation of the City of Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

On June 12th, 2018, the Folsom City Council approved Resolution No. 10137 A Resolution Authorizing the Application for Grant Funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan. City staff has since taken part in working with both California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify and clarify the areas to receive treatment, identify sensitive and protected species, and coordinate administrative tasks. On June 23rd, 2022, Staff was made aware of the approval of our grant application and was provided the Subapplication Approval / Post-Obligation Document Package checklist of which this resolution is a requirement of.

POLICY / RULE

Section 2.36.080, Award of Contracts of the Folsom Municipal Code states, in part, that contracts for supplies, equipment, services, and construction with an estimated value of \$66,141 or greater shall be awarded by City Council.

ANALYSIS

The City of Folsom Hazard Identification Assessment, a part of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP), has found the probability of future occurrences of wildfire is "Likely," with a "Critical," magnitude. According to the Cal-Fire Fire Threat Data, Folsom contains areas with "High" and "Very High" fire threat classes. A wildfire within the City could lead to the evacuation of large portions of the population and the potential for significant loss of personal property, structures, and rangeland. With a total population of approximately 79,584, roughly 57% of Folsom's residents have been identified to be at moderate to very high wildfire risk. There are also multiple critical facilities in Folsom that intersect a fire threat zone in the moderate to very high areas, as determined by the Cal-Fire Fire Threat Data map. These facilities include elderly residential care facilities, public schools, acute care hospitals, public safety and government facilities, and a prison. For this grant project, the City of Folsom proposes to create a 30-to-100-foot defensible space around structures that are in or adjacent to City-owned properties, and will consist of abating annual grasses, the thinning and limbing of trees and bushes, and the removal or chipping of dead or downed trees. Focus areas will be within the perimeter of City-owned properties and areas adjacent to structures or critical infrastructure.

The grant project must be completed by June 16th, 2025.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Part of the grant award process for FEMA was to conduct an environmental review, their Record of Environmental Consideration (REC) is included below:

FEMA has determined that the Proposed Action is covered by the Region IX Programmatic Environmental Assessment for Recurring Actions in Arizona, California, and Nevada (PEA) under Section 2.5.1, Mechanical or Hand Clearing of Vegetation. This category covers the implementation of the above project elements and, therefore, the Proposed Action is consistent with this PEA category.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Per the City of Folsom's application this grant is reimbursable for a 75/25 match. Upon completion of FEMA's review, it was deemed that the City is eligible for a maximum federal grant award of \$279,000 with a match obligation of \$93,000 for a total project value of \$372,000. Funding for the match was allocated in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 General Fund (Fund 010) Operating Budget in the Parks and Recreation Operating Budget as the City's match obligation.

The remainder of the project costs and the grant revenue that will occur beyond Fiscal Year 2022-23 will be appropriated in future years during the budget process.

ATTACHMENT

Resolution No. 10918 - A Resolution Authorizing and Accepting a Grant Award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services for the Implementation of the City of Folsom Defensible Space and Vegetation Management Plan

Submitted,

Lorraine Poggione,
Parks & Recreation Director

RESOLUTION NO. 10918

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM AND CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, on June 12th, 2018, the City Council of the City of Folsom approved Resolution 10137 – A Resolution Authorizing The Application For Grant Funds From The Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program For The Folsom Defensible Space And Vegetation Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 23rd 2022 the City of Folsom was notified of the approval of the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom is eligible to receive up to \$279,000 in federal grant funds through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and California Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom's match to the grant is \$93,000, which was allocated and included in the approved budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23 in the General Fund (Fund 010) in the Parks and Recreation Operating Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom accepts the grant award from FEMA and CalOES, authorizes the City Manager or their designee to execute for and on behalf of the City of Folsom a public entity established under the laws of the State of California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby:

1. Approves the acceptance of a grant award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program in the amount of \$279,000.
2. Appoints the Parks and Recreation Department Director, as agent of the City of Folsom to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of September 2022 by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):
NOES: Councilmember(s):
ABSENT: Councilmember(s):

ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

Kerri M. Howell, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

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