

## AGENDA MEMO

## Business of the City Council City of Sweeny, Texas

Meeting Date	06.18.2024	Agenda Items	
Approved by City Manager	Yes	Presenter(s)	Lindsay Koskiniemi, City Manager
Reviewed by City Attorney	No	Department	Emergency Management
Subject	Discussion and possible action on hurricane preparedness for the 2024 Hurricane Season		
Council Strategic Goals	N/A		
Attachments / Supporting documents	N/A		
Financial Information	Expenditure Required: Amount Budgeted: Account Number: Additional Appropriation Required: Additional Account Number:		N/A N/A

## **Executive Summary**

Hurricane season kicked off on June 1, 2024 and lasts through November 30, 2024. Two years ago, City Council named the Sweeny Community the new Emergency Operations Center (EOC) with Sweeny City Hall as a backup, in the event the City has to declare an emergency and stand up EOC.

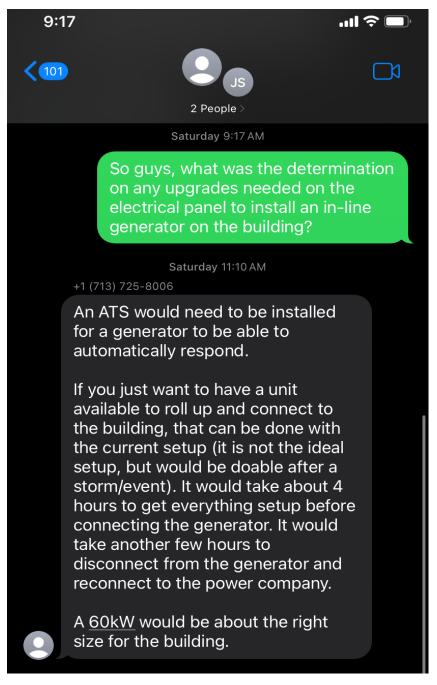
The Community Center was named the new EOC site because the City received a grant for the provision of an commercial generator. We have since learned that the generator is not scheduled to arrive until August, and the installation will take several weeks due to electrical panel upgrades and expanding the concrete slab. Four (4) additional phone lines have been added to the Community Center as well as two (2) additional phone lines at the Seniors Building.

On May 30, 2024, City staff including the city manager, police chief, mayor, and emergency management coordinator, explored the possibility of making the Seniors' Building the new EOC, however, that building has no generator. Staff had the generator contractor on the grant funded generator project, Coastal Power Products, look at the electrical panel at the SB to see what would be needed to install a generator. The determination is provided in the screen shot of the text below:



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Since this is not a "quick fix" solution, the city manager reached out to TDEM to request an interlocal agreement for the provision of a mobile unit in the event of a declared emergency. At the time of finalizing the agenda packet for this meeting, staff had not received a determination from TDEM.

The STEERS list, comprised of names of people in the community who would need to be evacuated by EMS, has been updated, and there are a total of 26 Sweeny residents on the STEERS list.

No recommended action. Update only.