



Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 21, 2017

Re: Appropriating \$25,308.40 from Merchandizing, Jobbing, and Contract Work to Costs and Expenses of Merchandising, Jobbing, and Contract Work.

## Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance appropriating \$25,308.40 from Merchandizing, Jobbing, and Contract Work to Costs and Expenses of Merchandising, Jobbing, and Contract Work to be dispersed to the City staff that was sent to Florida to help with the restoration efforts associated with Hurricane Matthew.

## Discussion

An amendment to Chapter 19 is being proposed to addresses situations in which the utility receiving the mutual aid has a legal obligation to pay compensation at a rate higher than is included in the City's current ordinance. The amendment would establish the current practice as the minimum compensation for employees responding to mutual aid requests and add provisions to compensate at a higher rate if the utility requesting mutual aid has prevailing wage obligations that exceed the current ordinance.

In October 2016, in response to damage caused by Hurricane Matthew, the City sent several line crews to Florida to help with restoration efforts. One of the utilities receiving mutual aid had local prevailing wage obligations that exceeded the provisions outlined above. In order to comply with its prevailing wage obligations, that utility asked to pay those responding to this event in accordance with those local prevailing wage obligations.

The City has billed for and received the funds from the utility that had requested the mutual aid in accordance with those local prevailing wage obligations. This ordinance would appropriate the additional funds necessary to compensate the City employees responding to that mutual aid request with the difference between what was paid to them under the existing ordinance language and what was billed for and received.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Appropriating \$25,308.40 from Merchandizing, Jobbing, and Contract Work to Costs and Expenses of Merchandising, Jobbing, and Contract Work.

Long-Term Impact: None



## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Operational Excellence, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

## Legislative History

Date	Action
1/17/2017	S11-17 Recognition of Hurricane Matthew Mutual Aid Respondents.

## Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends that Council adopt an ordinance appropriating \$25,308.40 from Merchandizing, Jobbing, and Contract Work to Costs and Expenses of Merchandising, Jobbing, and Contract Work to be dispersed to the City staff that was sent to Florida to help with the restoration efforts associated with Hurricane Matthew.