

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

2/29/24

DEPARTMENT:

Homeland Security and Emergency Management

FUND:

Special Revenue

SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance accepting Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance grant funds from the Texas Department of Emergency Management and amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20230816-008) to appropriate funding in the amount of \$2,127,895 for COVID-19 and Winter Storm Uri expenses.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

	2023-24 Amended	This Action	2023-24 Amended
Grant: FEMA Public Assistance Grant	12,478,487	2,127,895	14,606,382

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: On March 6, 2020, a Declaration of Local Disaster was issued by Mayor Adler to have the city take measures to avoid the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) across the City and County. On March 13, 2020, Governor Abbott issued a Declaration of State of Disaster to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19. COVID-19 created an immediate threat to the health and safety of the general public, requiring emergency response and protective measures.

Winter Storm Uri occurred between 2/11/2021 and 2/21/2021. The freezing temperatures caused widespread damage across the city and immediately threatened the life and safety of the general public, requiring emergency response and protective measures.

The City utilized force account labor, materials, equipment, rented equipment, and contracts to help assist and aid with the threat of these disasters. FEMA Public Assistance grant awards reimburse City departments for expenses incurred for carrying out COVID-19 public health responses from January 20, 2020, to May 11, 2023, and Winter Storm Uri emergency response from February 11, 2021, to March 13, 2021.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.

Project	FEMA Reimbursement	City Match	Total Project Value
Covid PW 1202	\$505,696	\$56,188	\$561,884
Winter Storm Uri PW 824	\$1,622,199	\$180,244	\$1,802,443
Total	\$2,127,895	\$236,432	\$2,364,327