

February 6, 2023

To: Executive Committee

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From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Adopt Resolution 2023-004 Designating the Orange County Transportation Authority's Applicant for Federal and State Disaster Assistance

Overview

In order to receive state and federal disaster assistance from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Orange County Transportation Authority is required to adopt a resolution designating authorized agent(s) to apply and submit for financial assistance following a declared disaster.

Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. 2023-004 designating the Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer as Orange County Transportation Authority's agents for executing applications for federal and/or state disaster assistance on behalf of the Orange County Transportation Authority.

Background

The Orange County Transportation Authority is an eligible recipient of state and federal disaster assistance. In order to receive the disaster assistance, an adopted resolution must be on file with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) which designates personnel authorized to complete and sign on behalf of the receiving agency. This resolution ensures all required documentation can be processed quickly to meet deadlines established by Cal OES. The existing resolution has expired, and must be renewed every three years.

Discussion

Resolution No. 2023-004 (Attachment A) designates the Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer as the Orange County Transportation

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Authority's (OCTA) authorized agents for processing disaster assistance requests and to indicate that designation on the required form, Cal OES 130 (Attachment B). With Board approval of the resolution, the Cal OS 130 form will indicate that this is a universal resolution effective for all open and future disasters up to three years following the date of approval. Cal OES 130 instructions state that if titles are used on the form to designate the Authorized Agents, a cover letter must be attached which includes the names and titles. This cover letter is also valid for three years and allows the agency to update names in the event there are personnel changes during this time period (Attachment C).

Summary

Cal OES is the state's department responsible for processing assistance requests from local agencies seeking state or federal funding following disasters. Staff recommends the Board adopt Resolution No. 2023-004 to comply with Cal OES requirement that each agency submit a completed Cal OES 130 every three years to designate OCTA's representative authorized to submit those applications.

Attachments

- A. Orange County Transportation Authority Resolution No. 2023-004
- B. Cal OES 130, Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies
- C. Draft Letter to Mr. David Gillings, State Public Assistance Officer, California Emergency Management Agency, February 13, 2023, from Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, Orange County Transportation Authority

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