

**CITY OF TEMECULA
AGENDA REPORT**

TO: City Manager/City Council

FROM: Erica Russo, Director of Community Services

DATE: December 13, 2022

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution Approving the Funding Agreement for Removal of Debris Materials with Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

PREPARED BY: Lacy Sisler, Principal Management Analyst

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt a resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA APPROVING THE “FUNDING AGREEMENT - REMOVAL OF DEBRIS MATERIALS” BETWEEN THE CITY OF TEMECULA AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND DETERMINING THAT THE AGREEMENT IS EXEMPT FROM CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15061 (B)(3) OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES

BACKGROUND: The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) is the regional flood management authority for the western part of Riverside County. The Flood Control District is a special district rather than a County Department, and provides floodplain management, development review, NPDES compliance, etc., for the entire County. Unlike a County Department, the District has authority to expend tax dollars within city boundaries and unincorporated areas.

The District owns, operates and maintains a large portion of the major creeks and flood control channels in the City of Temecula, including areas within Murrieta Creek, Temecula Creek and Santa Gertrudis Creek. Due to use on District owned property as homeless encampments, significant amounts of trash, debris, abandoned personal property and other similar material accumulate in the creek beds and waterways. The City and the District have mutually agreed for the need to provide cleanup services on District property to maintain the efficiency of the flood control and water conservation facilities, the integrity of the natural state of the property, and to reduce the risk of soil and water contamination. The City and District have worked cooperatively to regularly remediate these sites over the past year.

The attached Funding Agreement gives the City and its contractors permission to enter District property for removing materials from the property either at the District's request, or as determined by City staff, that such materials are present on District property. The agreement provides that the District shall reimburse the City for its costs of performing the work, including the cost of contractors working on behalf of the City.

The Agreement requires the City to follow the Material Removal Procedures outlined in Exhibit B, and keep District apprised of its efforts to remove materials from District owned properties.

The Funding Agreement authorizes the City to perform material removal services on District owned property and the District shall reimburse the City up to \$75,000 in any given fiscal year; and \$225,000 over the entire term of this agreement. The Agreement may be renewed in future years by mutual agreement of the City and District.

FISCAL IMPACT: The total amount of payment to the City shall not \$75,000 in any given fiscal year; and \$225,000 over the entire term of this Agreement, which expires on June 30, 2025.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. Funding Agreement