

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAND CREW PROGRAM TO PERFORM EMERGENCY SERVICES AND FIRE PREVENTION VEGETATION MANAGEMENT IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES ON A COST-RECOVERY BASIS AND ADOPTING A SUPPORTING FEE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, large wildfires impact not only the immediate jurisdiction where a fire occurs, but also adjacent, regional, and statewide resources, including but not limited mutual-aid emergency deployments and widespread environmental and economic impacts;

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City of Oceanside to engage and assist in mutual fire prevention and emergency response activities to reduce the threat of wildfires in local communities;

WHEREAS, the Oceanside Fire Department's Hand Crew Program is intended to support wildfire resilience and community safety through project-based work and emergency response capabilities;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Oceanside wishes to authorize the Oceanside Fire Department to enter into agreements with other governmental agencies to loan out its Hand Crew Program team for both emergency response and project-based vegetation management, fuel reduction, and fire prevention services;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Oceanside desires to adopt a fee schedule to recover costs associated with such Fire Department Hand Crew Program;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt fees for non-emergency services based on the City's fully burdened salary rates approved by the City Council, including the following overtime hourly rates: 56-hour Fire Battalion Chief Step D – \$107.02; 56-hour Fire Captain Step C – \$81.35; 56-hour Fire Engineer Step C – \$70.17; 56-hour Firefighter-Paramedic Step F – \$67.37; and the Fuels Crew Member straight-time hourly rate of \$19.42; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further desires to adopt fees for emergency mutual aid deployments calculated in accordance with the methodology and formulas established under the California Fire Assistance Agreement (CFAA), including the following rates: 56-hour Fire

1 Battalion Chief Step D overtime rate – \$111.80 per hour; 56-hour Fire Captain Step C overtime
 2 rate – \$82.75 per hour; 56-hour Fire Engineer Step C overtime rate – \$72.23 per hour; 56-hour
 3 Firefighter-Paramedic Step F overtime rate – \$63.37 per hour; the Fuels Crew Member straight-
 4 time hourly rate – \$19.15 per hour; and the Fuels Crew Member overtime hourly rate – \$28.73;
 5 and,

6 WHEREAS, the City Council desires to maintain Fire Department equipment fees in
 7 accordance with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement rates.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve as follows:

9 SECTION 1. The Oceanside Fire Department is hereby authorized to enter into
 10 agreements with governmental agencies to provide Hand Crew Program emergency response
 11 and project-based vegetation management, fuel reduction, and fire prevention services, subject
 12 to approval of the Fire Chief.

13 SECTION 2. The following fee schedule is hereby adopted to recover the costs of
 14 providing Fire Department Hand Crew Program services on a per-hour, per-person/vehicle
 15 basis. An administrative fee shall be applied as identified below:

Hand Crew Fees	
Fee Name	Fee
Hand Crew Services Fees: per-hour, per-person	
Non-Emergency Fee	
Fire Battalion Chief (56-hour, Step D)	\$107.02
Fire Captain (56-hour, Step C)	\$81.35
Fire Engineer (56-hour, Step C)	\$70.17
Firefighter-Paramedic (56-hour, Step F)	\$67.37
Fuels Crew (40-hour Workweek)	\$19.42
Emergency Fee - Mutual Aid Deployment	
Fire Battalion Chief (56-hour, Step D)	\$111.80
Fire Captain (56-hour, Step C)	\$82.75
Fire Engineer (56-hour, Step C)	\$72.23

1	Firefighter-Paramedic (56-hour, Step F)	\$63.37
2	Fuels Crew (40-hour Workweek)	\$19.15
3	Fuels Crew (Beyond 40-hour Workweek)	\$28.73
4	Overhead:	
5	Administrative Fee	25.93%
6	Equipment Costs: per-hour, per-equipment	
7	Chipper, Brush (12-in)	\$29.70
8	Chipper, Brush (15-in)	\$54.11
9	Chipper, Brush (19-in)	\$74.92

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12 SECTION 3. Upon City Council approval of changes to the salary rates for the above-
13 listed positions, those changes shall automatically be applied to these cost recovery fees.

14 SECTION 4. Upon FEMA updating the recovery rates for the above-listed Fire
15 Department equipment, those changes shall automatically be applied to these cost recovery
16 fees.

17 SECTION 5. Upon annual approval by the California Fire Assistance Agreement
18 (CFAA) of the administrative fee referenced above, those changes shall automatically be
19 applied to this cost recovery fee.

20 SECTION 6. The Fire Department Hand Crew Program Fee Schedule shall take effect
21 on March 25, 2026.

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