

City of Calistoga

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Staff Report

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4 **TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
5 **FROM:** Kathy Flamson, City Clerk
6 **DATE:** March 6, 2018
7 **SUBJECT:** Consideration of a Resolution Continuing the Local Emergency due
8 to the Tubbs Fire as Proclaimed by City Council on October 17, 2017,
9 Pursuant to Government Code Section 8550 et seq.

10 APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



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Dylan Feik, City Manager

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16 **ISSUE:** Adoption of this Resolution Continues a Local Emergency related to the
17 Tubbs Fire.

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19 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

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21 **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:** The Tubbs Fire, of October 8, 2017, has caused
22 extreme fire danger to the City of Calistoga. A proclamation of the Existence of a Local
23 Emergency was called on Sunday, October 8th and subsequently ratified at a City
24 Council meeting on Tuesday, October 17th. Damage to the area surrounding Kimball
25 Reservoir possibly poses a hazard by water runoff and soil erosion.

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27 In order to continue assessing the threats posed by water runoff and soil erosion, staff
28 recommends the City Council renew and continue its local emergency declaration until
29 threats to the City of Calistoga have been abated and/or are no longer present.

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31 The City Council proclaimed the local emergency by adopting Resolution 2017-112 on
32 October 17, 2017. On November 7, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution 2017-
33 115 continuing the Local Emergency. On December 5, 2017, the City Council adopted
34 Resolution 2017-117 continuing the Local Emergency. On January 2, 2018, the City
35 Council adopted Resolutions 2018-001 continuing the Local Emergency. On February
36 6, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution 2018-006 continuing the Local

37 Emergency. Therefore, staff requests City Council review and continue the local
38 emergency. Further, City facilities still need to be protected and repairs will continue
39 until completed. Staff will continue to bring a similar item to the City Council until the
40 emergency is terminated.

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42 California Government Code Section 8630 requires the Governing Body review the
43 need for continuing a local emergency at least once every thirty (30) days until the local
44 emergency is terminated.

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46 Initially, staff took cautionary measures to preserve and protect property surrounding
47 Kimball Reservoir to prevent additional soil erosion into the reservoir. In addition,
48 contractors have removed damaged debris and remains from property damage at the
49 site. Staff continues monitoring Kimball Reservoir and the watershed area surrounding
50 the reservoir.

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52 The city manager is coordinating property and tax revenue insurance programs through
53 Alliant Insurance Services.

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55 Public Works is coordinating the City's Request for Public Assistance request to FEMA.
56 On Thursday, January 18th, staff met with FEMA and CalOES representatives to
57 conduct a "Recovery Scoping Meeting" which officially starts the clock to submit our
58 reimbursement requests within 60 days. The City has already prepared a majority of the
59 information and will have no problem meeting that deadline.

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61 **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 62 1. Draft Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, RENEWING AND CONTINUING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE TUBBS FIRE INCIDENT

WHEREAS, a local emergency presently exists in the City of Calistoga, in accordance with the proclamation issued by the director of Emergency Services for the City of Calistoga on October 9, 2017, ratified by Resolution No. 2017-112 of the City Council on October 17, 2017, as a result of conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and/or property caused by the Tubbs Fire incident; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, October 31st, 2017, CalFIRE announced 100% containment of the Tubbs Fire and all other fires impacting Napa and Sonoma Counties; and

WHEREAS, the situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril have shifted from threats of fire to threats of water runoff and soil erosion in and around the community of Calistoga; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calistoga must continue emergency abatement and cleanup of debris surrounding the Kimball Reservoir and Kimball Watershed Area to prevent further emergencies related to water runoff and soil erosion; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-115 continuing the Local Emergency due to the Tubbs Fire as proclaimed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-117 continuing the Local Emergency due to the Tubbs Fire as proclaimed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-001 continuing the Local Emergency due to the Tubbs Fire as proclaimed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-006 continuing the Local Emergency due to the Tubbs Fire as proclaimed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 8630 requires the governing body review the need for continuing a local emergency at least once every thirty (30) days until the local emergency is terminated; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that the above described conditions of extreme peril continue to warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency throughout the Town; and

37 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the City Council does
38 hereby proclaim the continuation of said local emergency.

39 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Calistoga on this **6th of**
40 **March, 2018** by the following vote:

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42 **AYES:**
43 **NOES:**
44 **ABSENT:**
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CHRIS CANNING, MAYOR

48 **ATTEST:**

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50 **Kathy Flamson, City Clerk**