

REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Council File No. CF 25-0006-S48

Council District: All

To: The Mayor
The City Council

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer

Subject: **GENERAL CITY PURPOSES, WILDFIRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND
RECOVERY ACCOUNT MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR AUGUST
2025**

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council note and file this report as it is provided for informational purposes only.

SUMMARY

On January 31, 2025, City Council adopted a motion ([C.F. 25-0006-S48](#)) to transfer \$50 million from the Building and Safety Permit Enterprise Fund as a loan to the General City Purposes Fund under a new account entitled “2025 Wildfire Emergency Response and Recovery” (Account). The purpose of the Account is to provide City Departments with front-funding for Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) reimbursable response and recovery activities related to the January 2025 wildfire and windstorm events that devastated the Los Angeles metropolitan area. The motion authorizes the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to approve expenditures from the Account and instructs the CAO to provide monthly expenditure reports for the duration of the declared local emergency.

Through August 7, 2025, the CAO has received 26 funding requests for the total amount of \$71,534,712.87 from departments. Of the total amount, the CAO has approved \$39,977,722.47, denied \$401,376.13, and \$31,181,614.27 remain pending. Since our last monthly report dated June 12, the CAO has received three new funding request totaling \$1,762,829.00, authorized expenditures totaling \$1,930,314.20, and denied \$107,101.00.

The table on the following pages provides details of the Account through August 7, 2025:

Department	Purpose	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	Denied Amount	Pending Amount	Approval Date
PW - Engineering	Removal of debris blocking roads and stabilization of collapsing hillside	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,400,000.00	\$100,000.00		3/4/2025
PW-Street Services	Debris Removal by Contractor	\$9,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00		\$8,000,000.00	3/20/2025
PW-Engineering	Bulkhead Tieback Testing	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00			3/20/2025
PW-Engineering	Bulkhead Recovery Repair	\$803,000.00	\$829,000.00			3/20/2025
Police	Overtime for Personnel, Supplies, and Equipment	\$12,132,813.96	\$12,130,049.63	\$2,764.33		3/25/2025
Police	Overtime for Personnel, Supplies, and Equipment	\$1,976,993.81	\$1,976,993.81			3/27/2025
Emergency Management	Overtime for Personnel, Supplies, and Equipment	\$157,865.46	\$117,663.13	\$40,202.33		4/3/2025
Emergency Management	Meals, beverages, snack and various supplies for EOC Activation Responders	\$40,780.16	\$40,780.16			4/3/2025
Emergency Management	Meals for EOC Activation Responders	\$1,002.47	\$1,002.47			4/3/2025
PW-Engineering	Bulkhead Replacement Repair	\$510,867.00	\$450,000.00	\$60,867.00		4/3/2025
City Administrative Officer	Technical support consulting to maximize the City's reimbursements from FEMA.	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00			4/3/2025
PW-Street Lighting	Field Checks for evaluations on required permanent repairs	\$185,541.00	\$95,099.53	\$90,441.47		5/2/2025
Fire	Fire suppression, pre-positioning and other related first response activities.	\$15,279,325.00	\$15,279,325.00			5/23/2025

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Department	Purpose	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	Denied Amount	Pending Amount	Approval Date
PW-Street Lighting	Permanent repairs to 584 affected lights and poles with significant structural and electrical damage	\$13,387,950.00			\$13,387,950.00	
Police	Overtime for Personnel, Supplies, and Equipment	\$1,768,110.15	\$1,768,110.15			5/29/2025
Transportation	ATSAC Support, EOC Coordination, Field Operations, Parking Enforcement and Traffic Control, Public Information, Special Traffic Operations, Transit	\$1,392,384.39	\$1,392,384.39			4/28/2025
Transportation	Overtime for Personnel, Supplies, and Equipment	\$70,664.27			\$70,664.27	
PW-Engineering	General contractor expenses along with City staffing hours	\$5,300,000.00			\$5,300,000.00	
PW-Engineering	Study to address hillside protections and erosion control	\$150,000.00			\$150,000.00	
PW-Engineering	Repair existing bulkhead near 505 Bienveneda Avenue with steel plates to meet current standards.	\$492,000.00	\$492,000.00			5/23/2025
PW - Engineering	Tramonto Drive (17537) Bulkhead and Bienveneda Avenue (559) Bulkhead Tieback Testing	\$250,000.00	\$142,899.00	\$107,101.00		
PW - Sanitation	Debris removal.	\$4,273,000.00			\$4,273,000.00	

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Department	Purpose	Requested Amount	Approved Amount	Denied Amount	Pending Amount	Approval Date
Emergency Management	Contract for long-term disaster response and recovery support in seven areas: Planning, Response, Recovery, Mitigation, Financial Management, Operations and Community Engagement. Amount is for February 2025.	\$24,586.20	\$24,586.20			7/29/2025
Emergency Management	Hagerty contract for long-term disaster recovery support - February Invoice	\$229,457.50	\$229,457.50			8/6/2025
Emergency Management	Hagerty contract for long-term disaster recovery support - March Invoice	\$312,761.25	\$312,761.25			8/6/2025
City Administrative Officer	Technical support consulting to maximize the City's reimbursements from FEMA.	\$1,220,610.25	\$1,220,610.25			7/29/2025
Grand Totals		\$71,534,712.87	\$39,977,722.47	\$401,376.13	\$31,181,614.27	

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommendation to note and file this report.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendation to note and file this report complies with the City's Financial Policies.

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