

City of Long Beach

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On Wednesday, July 15th the City of Long Beach, primarily Council Districts 1 and 2 suffered a massive Southern California Edison power outage for over three and half days due to two underground vault fires. This outage had a significant impact on residents including loss of food, time, health and money. While the city provided a well planned and executed response through the Emergency Operations Center (EOG) many residents are still reeling from the loss of electricity.

There was a tremendous outpouring of support from city staff, community organizations and individuals who stepped up to the plate to ensure that the most basic needs were met. However ensuring that we are all prepared no matter the situation is a must especially in a city wide event.

There is no fiscal impact.

Approve recommendation.

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