

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Real Estate)**

Austin City Council	<b>Item ID:</b>		<b>Agenda Number</b>	1.
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	September 7, 2017			
<b>Department:</b>	City Manager's Office			
<b>Subject</b>				
Discuss and take appropriate action related to the effects of Hurricane Harvey, to include appropriation of staff, funds, supplies and equipment to address emergencies along the Texas gulf coast and the execution of agreements to accomplish the same.				
<b>Amount and Source of Funding</b>				
<b>Fiscal Note</b>				
A fiscal note is not required.				
<b>Purchasing Language:</b>				
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	None			
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<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>				
<b>MBE / WBE:</b>				
<b>Related Items:</b>				
<b>Additional Backup Information</b>				
Staff is requesting Council action to authorize staff to negotiate and execute a mutual aid agreement with the City of Rockport to furnish aid in response to an emergency, including but not limited to, an event such as Hurricane Harvey.				
The City of Rockport's water and wastewater system sustained significant damage as a result of Hurricane Harvey. Austin Water has received a request from Rockport to help bring their water and wastewater system into operational service. Currently the San Antonio Water Systems (SAWS) is assisting Rockport with their wastewater collection system and drinking water distribution repairs and temporary operations. Austin Water would relieve SAWS by providing similar resources to Rockport. It is anticipated Austin Water will provide certified water and wastewater operators, heavy equipment operations and licensed electricians familiar with the type of repairs that are needed. It is estimated there will be 10-15 crewmembers experienced in repair, equipment operations and electrical maintenance. Equipment to be deployed may include hoses, pumps, trailers, vehicles and safety equipment. The length of assistance is anticipated for the next two weeks and will be monitored for weather conditions and current City of Austin demands.				