



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2808, **Agenda Item #:** 6.

8/11/2022

Posting Language

Approve a resolution ratifying a Declaration of Local State of Disaster in response to concerns related to confirmed and probable orthopoxvirus/monkeypox cases in Texas and in Austin-Travis County; and consenting to continuation of the disaster declaration for a period of more than seven days. An emergency exists under Section 551.045 of the Government Code because the current outbreak of orthopoxvirus/monkeypox cases within Austin-Travis County represents an imminent threat to public health and safety.

Additional Backup Information:

The Mayor may sign a Declaration of Local State of Disaster that is valid and in effect for seven days. A Declaration of Local State of Disaster may not extend beyond seven days unless it is then ratified and extended by the City Council. Upon ratification and agreement to continue by the Council, the Declaration of Local State of Disaster is in effect until it is terminated.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.