REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2005

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

BY: KIMBERLY RODRIGUES, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

Article III, Chapter 6 of the Agoura Hills Municipal Code ("AHMC") sets forth the City's Emergency Organization laws. Pursuant to his authority under AHMC Sections 3604 and 3605 the City Manager, acting in his capacity as the City's Director of Emergency Services, declared a Local Emergency due to the Topanga Fire at approximately 1:00 a.m. on September 29, 2005.

On October 3, 2005, the City Council ratified the Director of Emergency Services' Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency with the adoption of Resolution No. 05-1390.

The declaration of a Local Emergency permits the Director of Emergency Services and the City Council to adopt regulations and issue orders necessary for the protection of lives and property. It also assists the City and the County of Los Angeles in recovering costs of responding to the disaster. In this case, the Director of Emergency Services and the City Attorney recommend that the state of Local Emergency be ratified by the City Council, and that it remain in effect until the emergency conditions have been fully abated, in the judgment of the Director. This action, if ratified by the City Council, will be reviewed at every regular City Council meeting thereafter until the state of Local Emergency is terminated.

As of October 13, 2005, the fire was completely contained and the situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril is now deemed to be within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of and within said City of Agoura Hills and the emergency conditions have been fully abated.

The Director of Emergency Services recommended the termination of said local emergency on October 20, 2005 (see attached memorandum) and further recommends the City Council formally proclaim the termination of a local emergency with the adoption of Resolution No. 05-1392.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 05-1392, proclaiming the termination of a local emergency.

Attachment: Memorandum dated October 20, 2005

Resolution No. 05-1392