

City of Culver City, California  
**City Council Agenda Item Report**

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| Meeting Date: 10/25/10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | Item Number: <u>C-3</u>                                                |                                                  |
| <b>AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of an Ordinance Adding Section 3.01.010 to Chapter 3.01 and Amending Chapter 3.09 of the Culver City Municipal Code Regarding Disaster Council and Emergency Organization; Adoption of an Ordinance Adding Sections 3.09.200 Through 3.09.215 to Chapter 3.09 of the Culver City Municipal Code Establishing Restrictions on Excessive and Unjustified Increases in Consumer Prices During a Declared Emergency</b> |  |                                                                        |                                                  |
| Contact Person/Dept.:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | Phone Number:                                                          |                                                  |
| Christine Parra, Fire Dept.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  | 310-253-5900                                                           |                                                  |
| Lisa Vidra, City Attorney's Office                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  | 310-253-5660                                                           |                                                  |
| Fiscal Impact: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  | General Fund: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |                                                  |
| Public Hearing: <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  | Action Item: <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Attachments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Commission Action Required: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | Date: _____                                                            |                                                  |
| Public Notification: Meetings and Agendas – City Council (10/20/10)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |                                                                        |                                                  |
| Department Approval:<br>Christopher Sellers (by D. White)<br>(10/14/10)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  | City Attorney Approval:<br>Carol Schwab (by L. Vidra ) (10/14/10)      |                                                  |
| Chief Financial Officer Approval:<br>Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (10/20/10)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  | City Manager Approval:<br>John M. Nachbar (10/20/10)                   |                                                  |

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council:

1. Adopt an Ordinance adding Section 3.01.010 to Chapter 3.01 and amending Chapter 3.09 of the Culver City Municipal Code (CCMC) regarding Disaster Council and emergency organization (Attachment 1); and
2. Adopt an Ordinance adding Sections 3.09.200 through 3.09.215 to Chapter 3.09 of the CCMC establishing restrictions on excessive and unjustified increases in consumer prices during a declared emergency (Attachment 2).

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:**

At the City Council meeting of October 11, 2010, the City Council introduced these two related Ordinances by a unanimous vote (5-0). The first Ordinance updates the City's Disaster Council and emergency organization, and the second ordinance adds "anti-price gouging" provisions to the CCMC during a state of war or declared emergency. The two ordinances are brought back tonight for adoption.

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

Adoption of these Ordinances does not create a fiscal impact. However, the clarified powers granted to the Disaster Council and the Director of Emergency Services would be consistent with Federal and State law and would enable Culver City to more effectively respond to a disaster (including qualifying for federal and state reimbursement ( if available)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Emergency Services Ordinance
2. Anti-Price Gouging Ordinance

**MOTION:**

That the City Council:

1. Adopt an Ordinance adding Section 3.01.010 to Chapter 3.01 and amending Chapter 3.09 of the CCMC regarding Disaster Council and emergency organization; and,
2. Adopt an Ordinance adding Sections 3.09.200 through 3.09.215 to Chapter 3.09 of the CCMC establishing restrictions on excessive and unjustified increases in consumer prices during a declared emergency.