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### Table 6: Key Facts - Emergency Response and Temporary Repairs (Category B)

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<td>Total estimated Emergency Protective Measures (CAT B) Harvey Costs, to date</td>
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<td>Emergency repair and stabilization costs to the Theater District</td>
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<td>City labor, equipment usage, and materials as well as relocation expenses and temporary offices</td>
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<td>Emergency Purchase Orders (EPOs)</td>
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<td>Additional emergency operational expenses including sheltering and contract costs collected and submitted for reimbursement</td>
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STRIKE TEAM
DDD Issues

- Consistency of review by PDMGs
- How many DDDs are complete without Damages Under Review (DUR)?
- Review damage inventory line items to identify projects containing multiple building and submit to FEMA for clean up
Project Formulation

• City prioritized its assets
• Timeline for scoping and costing
• Timeline for QA/QC
• FEMA organized staffing (7-8 PDMGs)
## Procurement Compliance

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Disbursements

- Compliance review discussions with TDEM/CR.
- Can the City provide contractor’s procurement documentation for review to fast track funding process?
428 Process

- Applicability
- Project Formulation
- Leveraging funding for programs
Grants Portal/
EMMIE/GMS

- Understanding the interrelationship between Grants Portal, EMMIE and GMS.

- Understanding how COH's documentation jumps from one system to the next.
MAC/DAC

- Implications of new policy for S/B sub applicant
- How is indirect costs going to the applied?
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Proof of Payments

- Working meetings with TDEM to understand compliance monitoring process and requirements

- Discussions about proof of payment PRIOR to submitting a Request for Reimbursement
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Insurance Allocation Methodology
Insurance

- The City has $100 million flood coverage, plus wind and other peril.

- Traditionally FEMA did this at closeout

- Challenge was how to allocate insurance funds and expedite recovery so the work could begin

- City had to reconcile data gaps for obtain and maintain data.

- Prepared insurance apportionment and allocation methodology.


- Submitted to FEMA May 29, 2018

- Approvals from FEMA, July 27, 2018
Donated Resources Policy

FEMA approved an innovative nationwide revision to its Public Assistance Donated Resources Policy.

The new rules allow local governments applying for disaster recovery public assistance to offset their local share of permanent project costs with the value of materials and professional services donated by public and private organizations.
Donated resources

- Volunteer labor
- Equipment
- Logistical Support
- Building or land
- Supplies or materials
- Legal services
- Engineering, design, architectural services
• Given damage estimates after Harvey in the range of $2 to $3 billion and the 10 percent required local match, the new donated resources policy represents a potential cost saving pool of up to $300 million.

• Currently, Legislature is considering options for Texas sub applicants regarding local match.
Communications

"Going to the Source"
**PDMG/Finance/Departments**

- Finance Staff Liaison to City Department
- FEMA weekly meetings with PDMGs
- Facilitate communications between COH departments and FEMA
- FEMA weekly call with upper management regarding "Ball In Court" status
Texas Recovery Office

• Dedicated staff from TDEM working with TRO

• FEMA has identified staff to serve as Texas Recovery Officers for Harvey
Consolidated Resource Center

Bi-weekly calls to discuss priority projects
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