

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-28**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECLARE A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER, SHERIFF, UNDERSHERIFF AND DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO ENTER COST SHARE AGREEMENTS AND SPEND UP TO \$150,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INITIATING EMERGENCY RESPONSE MEASURES IN THE EVENT OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION.**

**WHEREAS**, activation of disaster emergency response efforts through applicable local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency response plans requires a formal declaration of local disaster emergency by C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1); and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCC adopted Summit County Resolution No. 2018-64 on September 25, 2018 to avoid delaying timely implementation of disaster emergency response efforts due to the unavailability of the BOCC chair to declare a local disaster emergency as required by C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2018-64 authorized the Summit County Manager to declare a local disaster emergency without further approval or authorization by the BOCC; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2018-64 also authorized the Summit County Sheriff, the Summit County Undersheriff and the Summit County Director of Emergency Management to initiate disaster emergency response efforts without further action by the BOCC, including entering time sensitive cost share agreements and ordering up to \$100,000.00 in emergency response related resources and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCC wishes to increase, to \$150,000.00, the authorization of the Summit County Manager, Summit County Sheriff, and Summit County Director of Emergency Management to initiate disaster emergency response efforts without further action by the BOCC, including entering time sensitive cost share agreements and ordering emergency response related resources and services; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the recent reassignment of the Office of Emergency Management from the County Manager's Office to the Sheriff's Office, the BOCC desires to replace Resolution 2018-64; and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCC finds that adoption of this resolution authorizing the County Manager to declare a local disaster emergency and further authorizing the County Manager, Sheriff, Undersheriff, and Director of Emergency Management to initiate certain disaster emergency response efforts without further approval or authorization of the BOCC is reasonable and necessary for protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and visitors of Summit County, Colorado, and property located within the County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF COLORADO THAT:**

1. The County Manager, and if they are unavailable, the County Attorney, is hereby authorized to declare a local disaster emergency and to obligate the Board of County Commissioners of Summit County, Colorado for the expenditure of up to \$150,000.00 without prior notice to or approval of the Board of County Commissioners when it is determined that such expenditure is immediately necessary for the purpose of initiating emergency response measures in the event of a disaster emergency such as a wildfire.
2. The Summit County Sheriff and if they are unavailable, the Summit County Undersheriff, is hereby authorized to obligate the Board of County Commissioners of Summit County, Colorado for the expenditure of up to \$150,000.00 without prior notice to or approval of the Board of County Commissioners when it is determined that such expenditure is immediately necessary for the purpose of initiating emergency response measures in the event of a disaster emergency such as a wildfire.
3. The Summit County Director of Emergency Management is hereby authorized to obligate the Board of County Commissioners of Summit County, Colorado for the expenditure of up to \$150,000.00 without prior notice to or approval of the Board of County Commissioners when the Director of Emergency Management determines that such expenditure is immediately necessary for the purpose of initiating emergency response measures in the event of a disaster emergency such as a wildfire.
4. The County Manager, County Attorney, Sheriff, Undersheriff and Director of Emergency Management are each further authorized to enter cost share agreements with entities or agencies providing emergency response services or resources when entry into such agreements is immediately necessary for the provision of timely and effective emergency response services in the event of a local disaster emergency.
5. For the purpose of minimizing the possibility of redundant ordering of emergency response services or resources, the County Manager, County Attorney, Sheriff, Undersheriff and/or Director of Emergency Management shall endeavor to complete any expenditures made hereunder through the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The EOC will immediately

contact each of the other persons authorized hereunder to obligate the Board of County Commissioners for such expenditures. If emergent conditions prevent resource orders from being requested and/or filled through the EOC, the requesting individual shall notify the EOC and other persons authorized herein as soon as reasonably possible with details of the resources ordered.

6. Expenditures made hereunder by The County Manager, County Attorney, Sheriff, Undersheriff and/or Director of Emergency Management shall subsequently be reviewed and ratified at a regular or special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.
7. The Summit County Sheriff's Office Emergency Management Division (formerly the Summit County Office of Emergency Management) is accountable to the Summit County Sheriff and the Director of Emergency Management will report directly to the Undersheriff.
8. Resolution 2018-64, which covers the same matters embraced in this resolution, is hereby repealed.

**ADOPTED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
STATE OF COLORADO  
BY AND THROUGH ITS  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**



*John Blanchard*  
John Blanchard, Chair

**ATTEST:**

*Taryn Power*  
Taryn Power, Clerk & Recorder