



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
September 26, 2006

**Honorable Mayor and
 Members of the City Council**

Title: Adoption: National Incident Management System (NIMS) Compliance

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the City's all hazard incident response management system.

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Presenters: Not Applicable

Department: Fire

Division: Joint Office of Emergency Services & Homeland Security

Organization No: 2512

Description/Analysis

Issue: For the City to comply with the new national standard for emergency management and to continue to receive emergency management and homeland security grant funding, the City must acknowledge through resolution by September 30, 2006, that NIMS, as the national standardized emergency system, has been incorporated into the City's emergency management process as the City's all hazard incident response system.

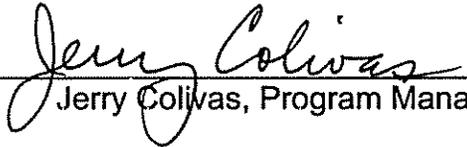
Policy Considerations: Adoption of the attached Resolution is critical to continuation of federal grant funding and will incorporate a new national standard that is compatible with state and City standards for an overarching emergency management system. The City has adopted the State's Standardized Emergency Management System as a part of its overall emergency management system. NIMS is based on the Standardized Emergency Management System and both NIMS and the Standardized Emergency Management System are compatible and complementary.

Environmental Considerations: No impact on the environment.

Rationale for Recommendation: Continuation of federal grant funding for emergency management and homeland security programs and to further standardize the City's emergency management system with other local, state and federal organizations.

Financial Considerations: Potential significant loss of federal grant funding from Department of Homeland Security if the City does not adopt NIMS as part of their emergency management system.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): No goods or services will be purchased.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Jerry Colivas, Program Manager

Approved by: 
for Julius J. Cherry, Fire Chief

Recommendation Approved:


Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1**BACKGROUND**

The City has been conducting ongoing NIMS compliance activities for the last year. Activities include incorporating NIMS requirements into emergency management training and exercises and the development of a citywide emergency resource management system. In addition to these compliance activities, the City must also acknowledge through resolution by September 30, 2006, that NIMS is the national standardized emergency system and that it has been incorporated into the City's emergency management process.

Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD)-5 requires local governments to comply with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) standards including training, exercises, resource management, credentialing and certification of staff to insure continuous funding for Homeland Security, Fire, Emergency Management and other Federal Emergency Management Agency and Homeland Security Grants. As part of the compliance process, the federal Department of Homeland Security requires all local governments to adopt the NIMS requirements through resolution.

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) was developed so responders from different jurisdictions and disciplines can work together better to respond to natural disasters and emergencies, including acts of terrorism. NIMS benefits include a unified approach to incident management; standard command and management structures; and emphasis on preparedness, mutual aid and resource management.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM COMPLIANCE

BACKGROUND

- A. The President, in Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) -5, directed the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS). HSPD-5 requires all Federal departments and agencies to make adoption of the NIMS by local jurisdictions a condition of federal preparedness assistance. In 2004, the Secretary of Homeland Security completed the NIMS.
- B. City emergency management personnel have contributed their expertise to the development of the new National Incident Management System and it is substantially based on the Incident Command System and Standardized Emergency Management System, which are already part of the City's emergency management system.
- C. City personnel are currently complying with the requirements of the National Incident Management System

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The National Incident Management System is adopted as the City's all-hazards incident response system.
- Section 2. Use of the National Incident Management System will not alter the use of the Incident Command System or the Standardized Emergency Management System, but rather it will be an additional tool for emergency management.
- Section 3. It is the objective of the City to fully comply with all compliance activities of the National Incident Management System, including training, exercises, and resource management.

