

Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: MAY 21, 2024

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: ADAM LOESER, FIRE CHIEF

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PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR

SUBJECT: UPDATED EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

SUMMARY

The Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) provides a comprehensive guide for the City of Fullerton to respond to potential emergencies or disasters by managing personnel and resources to protect life and property. The Fire Department has revised and expanded the EOP to reflect emergency management best practices.

PROPOSED MOTION

Adopt Resolution No. 2024-XXX.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XXX – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FULLERTON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-79

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Do not approve Proposed Motion and provide alternative direction for the Emergency Operations Plan
- Other options brought by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

The City Manager recommends approval of the Resolution which approves the revised and expanded EOP in line with emergency management best practices.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

- Public Safety
- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Fullerton Municipal Code mandates that the City has measures in place "to provide for the preparation and carrying out of plans for the protection of persons and property within the city in the event of a disaster" (Section 2.08). The City implements this through the Emergency Operations Plan, tailored specifically for the City to supplement the Orange County Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan and the California Emergency Operations Plan.

The Fullerton Emergency Operations Plan details emergency operations procedures, mutual aid agreements, resource mobilization, public information dissemination and the emergency response capabilities of city departments. It ensures the most effective and economical use of resources for optimal protection of the civilian population during emergencies. Policies and procedures in the Fullerton EOP draw from the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) established principles and protocols.

The City periodically reviews, exercises and revises the Emergency Operations Plan to adapt to changing conditions. This iteration of the EOP integrates 2021 recommendations from CalOES and incorporates updates to align with new state and federal requirements. Key updates include provisions for Access and Functional Needs, Equity and Inclusion and Cultural Diversity. The Activation Plan has expanded to account for various finance and information technology needs during a potential disaster. Staff have also added two annexes – one for Care and Shelter and another for Extreme Weather. The "Summary of Changes" page provides a full account of these revisions.

The updated EOP reflects a proactive approach to emergency preparedness and effective resource management. Staff recommends City Council adopt the plan to ensure continued safety and protection of all community members.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 PowerPoint Presentation
- Attachment 2 Draft Resolution

cc: City Manager Eric J. Levitt