ITEM NO. 14

STAFF REPORT

CITY OF OCEANSIDE

DATE: November 18, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2009 CITY OF OCEANSIDE EMERGENCY PLAN**

SYNOPSIS

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution accepting the 2009 City of Oceanside Emergency Plan and repeal all resolutions adopting previous versions of the plan.

BACKGROUND

In response to Homeland Security Presidential Directive–5 (HSPD-5), Management of Domestic Incidents, during September 2004, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) outlined the initial steps that States, Territories, Tribal Nations and local jurisdictions needed to take to implement the National Incident Management System (NIMS). This management system is designed to cover the prevention, preparation, response and recovery from terrorist attacks, major disasters and other emergencies. The implementation of NIMS allows all levels of government throughout the nation to work efficiently and effectively together. Those initial steps released in 2004 provide the foundation for current NIMS compliance. Since that time, the NIMS foundation has expanded and added additional activities, each developed to enhance the way incidents are managed at all levels of government.

ANALYSIS

A NIMS compliance requirement since FY2005, though only required during periodic plan updates, has been to revise emergency plans to incorporate NIMS and National Response Framework (NRF) components, principles and policies, to include planning, training, response, exercises, equipment, evaluation and corrective action. The current City of Oceanside Emergency Plan was originally written in 1997 with minor updates in 2002. The 2009 City of Oceanside Emergency Plan meets all of the FY2009 NIMS compliance requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT

The direct cost to the City of Oceanside to maintain NIMS compliance has thus far been limited to a minimal number of personnel hours for Incident Command System (ICS)

training. Since the inception of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant program benefiting local governments in 1999, the City of Oceanside has received approximately $1.3 million for training, equipment and exercises. Meeting the annual Compliance Objectives forms the basis for NIMS compliance determinations. NIMS compliance directly impacts the City of Oceanside's eligibility for Federal Preparedness Awards and disaster response/recovery reimbursements.

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented to and supported by the Police/Fire Commission on October 15, 2009.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

The referenced resolution has been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution accepting the 2009 City of Oceanside Emergency Plan and repeal all resolutions adopting previous versions of the plan.

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Terry Garrison, Fire Chief

ATTACHMENTS:
Resolution
2009 Emergency Plan

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE ADOPTING THE 2009 EMERGENCY PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside can be affected by all types of natural, technological and man-made disasters; and

WHEREAS, these effects can be minimized by appropriate preparedness and training; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 City of Oceanside Emergency Plan addresses the City's coordinated response to disasters; and

WHEREAS, the plan is compliant with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to increase the effectiveness of the City's emergency response organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve that the 2009 City of Oceanside Emergency Plan is hereby adopted, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, and hereby repeals all previous resolutions concerning emergency plans currently in effect.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, California, this Eighteenth day of November, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Barbara Hamilton, ASST.
City Attorney