



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: January 24, 2012

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Office of Emergency Services, Fire Department

SUBJECT: Adoption Of The 2011 Update Of The Santa Barbara County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan And The City Of Santa Barbara Annex

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Adopting the 2011 Update of the Santa Barbara County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan and the City of Santa Barbara Annex.

DISCUSSION:

In 2004, the City adopted the first version of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2K). In early 2010, the City was notified that the Plan was due for its 5-year update. The Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Management (SBCOEM) applied for and received a grant on behalf of the County and all eight cities to acquire the services of a consulting firm to facilitate the plan update.

The City participated in numerous meetings with SBCOEM, the contract consultant, and representatives of all eight cities in the county to develop a list of "common" hazards we all faced, and objectives to mitigate those hazards. Once those common hazards were identified, the City of Santa Barbara put together a Planning Team to list hazards unique to the City and potential mitigation actions to be identified to reduce or eliminate the hazardous threat.

Under the supervision of the contract consultant and SBCOEM, the draft Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Plan for each City was reviewed and discussed at several meetings during 2011. Once the individual community draft plans were in the "Final Draft" stage, input was sought from community members and the drafts were made available for community review and comment. The City of Santa Barbara made our draft plan available through the City's OES website, and a hard copy was available for review at the City's Office of Emergency Services during regular business hours.

The community was made aware of the availability of the City's draft plan through media outreach and the July 2011 OES Newsletter.

The City's "Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Plan" will become the City of Santa Barbara Annex to the 2011 Santa Barbara County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. On September 19, 2011, the contract consultant submitted the City of Santa Barbara's Plan to the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for review and approval. On December 29, 2011, FEMA notified the contract consultant that the cities should adopt their respective annexes prior to final FEMA approval.

Links for the public:

1. 2011 Santa Barbara County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan
www.countyofsb.org/ceo/oes
2. 2011 City of Santa Barbara Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Plan, also referred to as the City of Santa Barbara Annex to the 2011 Santa Barbara County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan
http://www.santabarbaraca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/65D253CA-3AB5-4446-B0B0-59D54D7E12CC/0/SantaBarbara_ReviewDraft_09092011.pdf

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