

**City of Redlands  
Disaster Council  
Minutes**

Monday, October 28, 2019  
City Council Chambers  
35 Cajon Street Suite #2  
Redlands, CA 92373

- A. **Call to Order** (Emergency Operations Manager Fay Glass)
  - a. Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.
- B. **Pledge of Allegiance** (Emergency Operations Manager Fay Glass)
- C. **Public Comment** (Emergency Operations Manager Fay Glass)
  - a. *(At this time, the Disaster Council will provide an opportunity for the public to address them on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Committee that is not already scheduled on this agenda. Please Note: No general discussion of such items or action on such items may be taken by the Committee. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.)*
  - b. No comments
- D. **Introductions / Disaster Council Purpose** (Fay Glass)
  - a. Fay Glass welcomed everyone to the Disaster Council Meeting.
  - b. Presenter Robin Bishop, Emergency Operations Assistant, City of Redlands.
- E. **Approval of Minutes** ((Emergency Operations Manager Fay Glass)
  - a. Motion to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2019 meeting: Minutes Approved
- F. **Old Business**
  - a. No Follow-up items (Fay Glass)
- G. **New Business** –
  - a. Robin Bishop presented on the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and its updates.
    - i. Hazard Mitigation is any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property from hazard event.
    - ii. It is mandated by the Disaster Mitigation Act 2000 to prepare multi-hazard mitigation plans as a precondition for receiving FEMA mitigation project grants. The Mitigation Act is part of the Stafford Act.
    - iii. It is reviewed and revised every 5 years.
    - iv. In its revisions it needs to have policy changes, education, outreach, capital projects and now to include climate change and Social vulnerability such as Power Safety Power Shutoff
    - v. Minimize operational downtime and accelerate recovery of government and business after disasters is what drives us to have the hazard mitigation plan in place.
    - vi. The Hazard Mitigation Plan is a full community involvement since the community knows what it is important to have in the city they live in.

- vii. Capital improvements, infrastructure protection, open space preservation, and economic resiliency are items that need to be identified in the plan.
- viii. Example of projects that are included in Hazard Mitigation are:
  - 1. Wildfire mitigation
  - 2. Floodwater storage & diversion
  - 3. Non-structural / Structure retrofitting of Existing buildings

#### **H. Agency Announcement**

- a. Report by Fay Glass, City of Redlands City Manager's Office Emergency Management Division. Please check the updated Emergency Management Newsletter that is part of the packet.

#### **I. Member Announcements (Roundtable)**

- a. Mel Van Meter from Church on the Hill asked if the residents are responsible for taking care of a second form of power for their medical equipment or is it up to the city and Southern California Edison.
  - i. Mark Cloud responded that it is ultimately ones responsibility to make sure that one has something to power the medical devices. There is a link to apply and make aware of residents medical devices to Southern California Edison.
    - 1. Link to our Medical Baseline program:
    - 2. <https://www.sce.com/residential/assistance/medical-baseline>
  - ii. Apps that will help residents prepare are:
    - 1. SB Ready App
    - 2. My Shake App
    - 3. Facebook: San Bernardino County VOAD
- b. Once again the concern was brought up that once Fay's retires, is the Emergency Management Program being placed on the back burner of a department and not continuing to move forward?
  - i. The Fire Chief answered that the emergency management will be transition to the fire department. Once the new city manager is hired, then it will be up to that person to decide where the division will end up permanently. Disaster Council will continue as it is part of the municipal code.

#### **J. Possible agenda items for next meeting (?)**

- a. Power Safety Power Shutoff seems to be one issue that needs to be brought to the forefront since this is a new concept that is affecting many residents.
- b. Nancy Sidhu proposed to hear about how to protect the city - fire, police, basic databases - and other institutions in Redlands, such as the hospital, utilities, etc. from such hacking. A little history of what has been going on all over the world and what our institutions are doing to protect themselves would help us all understand better, and perhaps protect our own organizations better. It is needed

to have a better understanding of what such hacking can do to disable basic services - how damaged computer systems can cause real disasters.

**K. Adjournment**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.
- b. Richard Elshof received the green gift bag.

The next Disaster Council Meeting will be held on January 27, 2020