

**City of Redlands
Disaster Council
Minutes**
Monday, October 25, 2021
Redlands, CA 92373

Staff Present: Mayor Barich
Deputy Chief Sessler
Esther Martinez
Andrew Carothers
Bruni Reyes
Community Members

A. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Barich

B. Public Comment

- a. There were no public comments

C. Introductions / Disaster Council Purpose

- a. Deputy Chief Sessler introduced himself and the speaker at this time.

D. Approval of Minutes

- a. Mayor approve the minutes of the July 26, 2021.

E. Old Business

- a. No follow-up items

F. New Business – Presentation by “National Flood Insurance Program” by Andrew Carothers, City Of Redlands, Building and Safety.

Andrew spoke about how the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is a federal program providing protection for property owners against flood losses through insurance policies. Only governmental agencies with authority to adopt and enforce flood plain management may participate in the NFIP. The city participates in the NFIP to gain access to government backed flood insurance policies, ensure the federal government will provide disaster assistance, and to reduce the cost of resident flood insurance policies throughout the City Of Redlands. To purchase Flood Insurance visit

www.Floodsmart.gov/find or contact NFIP at (877) 336-2627

G. Member Announcements (Roundtable)

- a. Esther Martinez gave the information on how Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) helps homeowners lessen the potential for damage during an earthquake. EBB offers up to \$3,000 toward a code-compliant seismic retrofit for houses that qualify.

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- b. Bob Snedaker reported that Simpler Life had a new business partner, Boaz Munnerylyn. They are still to help the community in preparing for emergencies and Disasters.

H. Possible agenda items for next meeting (?)

- a. How is the Water Department preparing to help out the community during Disasters?

I. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The next Disaster Council Meeting will be held on January 24, 2022