# City of Redlands Disaster Council Minutes

Monday, October 29, 2018 City Council Chambers 35 Cajon Street Suite #2 Redlands, CA 92373

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.by Mayor Paul Foster Pledge of allegiance

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comments

## **INTRODUCTIONS:**

Fay Glass welcomed everyone to the Disaster Council Meeting. Introductions were omitted due to panel

discussion.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the minutes of July 23, 2018 meeting: Minutes Approved

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Emergency Managers panel consisted of Fay Glass, Emergency Operations Manager for City of Redlands, Shannon Kendall, Emergency Services Coordinator for the Cities of Colton and Loma Linda, Carrie Cruz, Emergency Services Officer for San Bernardino County FD/Office of Emergency Services, Sonia Brown, Senior Emergency Services Coordinator for the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).

The Emergency Managers from Local, County and the Region provided an emergency management panel discussion based on the scenario of a magnitude 7.8 earthquake along the San Andreas Fault. Damages included power outages, gas leaks, collapsed freeways, shelter site locations, proclaiming a local emergency, evacuations of people and animals. The panel agreed that First Responders would be overwhelmed quickly and it is crucial that each level of government work together to promote safer, less vulnerable communities with the capacity to cope with an emergency before, during and after a disasters.

Each Emergency Manager provided their own pre-planning and activation efforts on responding to this type of scenarios, listed below are the responses based on the panel discussion.

Emergency Operations Manager, Fay Glass provided the following pre-planning and activation efforts for the City of Redlands.

- > Pre-planning:
  - Established Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the American Red Cross to provide shelter sites locations within the city.

- There are a total of 28 shelters within the city. Opening a shelter is based on the location of the disaster and the availability of ARC volunteers. The City would not open all 28 shelters at one time, due to the limited amount of ARC volunteers to staff the shelter. To ensure that the citizens are provided with the current and updated information regarding shelter sites, this information will be provide to the citizens at the time of the disaster.
- Citizens will be informed of evacuation and shelter sites via Emergency Notification System, Social Media and the Police Department going door to door to inform them.
- Training of Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Responders on their roles and responsibilities when responding to the EOC.
- Ensure that the City's Emergency Notification System is properly working and staff is trained in using the system.
- Provide Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training to the community.
  - Provide additional Affiliated (CERT) members training to assist the city with community.
  - Establishing CERT zones have been established within the city.
- Attend meetings and train with Redlands Emergency Community Group (RECG amateur radio group), on their roles and responsibilities before, during and after a disaster.
- Attend meetings and train with Redlands Area Interfaith Council (RAIC), this group will provide (Spiritual Support, Donations Management and Debris Removal)
- > Activation:
  - Based on this scenario and the information received from the field which includes assessing the fire stations and the areas within the city, the EOC will be activated to assist the citizens of Redlands as well as providing logistic support to the field.
  - Coordinating with City Staff to assess the needs of the city.

The Cities of Colton and Loma Linda would activate their EOC's. Emergency Services Coordinator, Shannon Kendall is the ESC for both cities. Delegating the activation of the City of Colton's EOC to a Battalion Chief and Shannon would activate the City of Loma Linda's EOC.

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- > Activation:
  - Based on this scenario and the information received from the field which includes assessing the fire stations and the areas within the city, the EOC will be activated to assist the citizens of the cities of Colton and Loma Linda as well as providing logistic support to the field.
  - Coordinating with City Staff to assess the needs of the city.

San Bernardino County Fire Department/Office of Emergency Services Carrie Cruz informed the group that San Bernardino County exercises on this type of scenario which could potentially displace 270,000 residents throughout the area. With the knowledge of possibilities of death and destructions, the county has the capabilities to set up two Shelters Operations Compounds (SOCS). They are strategically located within the County. #1 in the High Desert at Victorville Fairgrounds and #2 in the Valley at Orange Show Fairgrounds, each venue can accommodate up to 5000 people.

The State of California Senior Emergency Services Coordinator Sonia Brown informed the group that the State has spearheading the Southern California Earthquake Catastrophic Response Plan. This group has produced the following:

- Development of partnerships with emergency management stakeholders.
- Development of fact sheets in regards to the various areas that would be impacted by this magnitude earthquake.
- The development of a tangible plans to provide to the stakeholders.

Local Governments are responsible for sheltering there community for the first 72 hours after a disaster, before the State can assist. The State can provide an open air sheltering which consist of stadiums, parks, and fair grounds. These facilities will accommodate people and animals. It is crucial for each agencies emergency plans to include the access and functional needs population.

The State also has assess to high density shelters which includes California State Universities. Requesting use of these facilities can only be through an executive order from the Governor of the State. There are 106 Stadiums & Arenas, 20 Fairgrounds, and 17 California States Universities available.

The allocation of resources is conducted by a unified coordination group made up of Federal and State agencies which will look at the greatest needs within the counties to determine what supplies and equipment are needed via priorities. If normal means are compromised the State has three corridors (Sacramento, Arizona and Nevada) to bring in supplies and equipment to assist.

The emergency management panel is in agreeance that all types of disasters or emergencies First Responders will be limited. It is crucial for each citizen to prepare themselves and their family for all types of emergencies which includes getting an emergency kit, making a plan and being informed.

## **MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mel Van Meter won the safety bag.

## POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

There was no recommendations

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Next Disaster Council meeting is Monday, January 28, 2019. 4:00pm-5:00pm