



## **Staff Report**

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### RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

#### **Summary**

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) was established by a Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5) on February 28, 2003. Adoption of NIMS not only provides for a comprehensive approach to incident management, adoption by State and local organizations is a condition for Federal preparedness assistance. Staff recommends that the City Council formally adopt NIMS for the City of Belmont's emergency incident management, prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation programs and activities.

#### **Background**

On February 28, 2003, President Bush issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5) directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS provides a consistent nationwide template to enable all government, private sector and nongovernmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents. All applicants for federal funding will be required to certify to NIMS compliance as part of grant applications.

#### **Discussion**

By adopting NIMS, the City of Belmont will be meeting the compliance requirements of HSPD-5. In so doing, the City of Belmont will not only provide a more comprehensive and coordinated approach to emergency incident management, but will maintain the City of Belmont's eligibility for future disaster reimbursement and federal preparedness grant opportunities.

#### **General Plan/Vision Statement**

No Impact.

**Fiscal Impact**

City personnel will be required to take the mandatory federal NIMS training components. The on-duty training will need to be completed during regular work hours. Training hours should be integrated into employee's course of work. The mandatory training is being provided by the Human Resources Department in conjunction with the Police Department Emergency Management Coordinator.

**Public Contact**

Posting of City Council agenda.

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends that the City Council formally adopt NIMS for the City of Belmont's emergency incident management, prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation programs and activities.

**Alternatives**

1. Take No Action.
2. Provide Alternate Direction.

**Attachments**

- A. Resolution Adopting NIMS

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELMONT  
ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)**

**WHEREAS**, the National Incident Management System (NIMS) was established by a Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5) on February 28, 2003; and,

**WHEREAS**, adoption of NIMS not only provides for a comprehensive approach to incident management, adoption by State and local organizations is a condition for Federal preparedness assistance.

**WHEREAS**, by adopting NIMS, the City of Belmont will be meeting the compliance requirements of HSPD-5. In so doing, the City of Belmont will not only provide a more comprehensive and coordinated approach to emergency incident management, but will maintain the City of Belmont's eligibility for future disaster reimbursement and federal preparedness grant opportunities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Belmont adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS) for the City of Belmont's emergency incident management, prevention, preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation programs and activities.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Belmont at a regular meeting thereof held on September 12, 2006 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN, COUNCILMEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CLERK of the City of Belmont

APPROVED:

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MAYOR of the City of Belmont