



Council Meeting: August 28, 2012

SUBJECT: Resolution Affirming Adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in Cooperation with ABAG

BACKGROUND

RTC 12-160, *Adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in Cooperation with the Association of Bay Area Governments*, was approved unanimously by Council on July 17, 2012. The City provided the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with the Approved Minutes from July 17, 2012 reflecting the City's Adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in Cooperation with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). However, FEMA has requested a formal resolution by Council be submitted to confirm approval. Attachment A: *Resolution of the Sunnyvale City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City Of Sunnyvale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan*, is presented for Council approval.

EXISTING POLICY

General Plan, Chapter 6, *Safety and Noise*, GOAL SN-2: Effective Disaster Preparedness: Ensure that the City, its community members, business, faith-based organizations, community organizations and special needs populations are prepared to effectively respond and recover from major disasters and emergencies.

DISCUSSION

Attachment A, *Resolution of the Sunnyvale City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City Of Sunnyvale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan*, is presented for Council approval as requested by FEMA to confirm the Council's adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in Cooperation with ABAG.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. Adoption of the resolution and approval of the plan are FEMA requirements for future local projects to be eligible to receive Federal Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds and to receive federal funding for losses that result from disaster related costs.

PUBLIC CONTACT

RTC 12-160 *Adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in Cooperation with the Association of Bay Area Governments* was presented, reviewed, and approved by City Council on consent calendar as 1.L on July 17, 2012.

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Community Center, and Department of Public Safety; and by making the agenda and report available at the Sunnyvale Public Library, the Office of the City Clerk, and on the City's Web site.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve Attachment A, *Resolution of the Sunnyvale City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City Of Sunnyvale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.*

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Alternative 1: Approve Attachment A, *Resolution of the Sunnyvale City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City Of Sunnyvale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.*

Reviewed by:

Frank J. Grgurina, Director, Department of Public Safety
Prepared by: John Gienger, Lieutenant (Retired), Office of Emergency Services

Approved by:

Gary M. Luebbbers
City Manager

Attachments

Attachment A: *Resolution of the Sunnyvale City Council Approving the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the City Of Sunnyvale's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.*

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE SUNNYVALE CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA
GOVERNMENT (ABAG) REPORT “TAMING NATURAL
DISASTERS” AS THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE’S LOCAL
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Bay Area is subject to various earthquake-related hazards such as ground shaking, liquefaction, landsliding, fault surface rupture, and tsunamis; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area is subject to various weather-related hazards including wildfires, floods, and landslides; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale recognizes that disasters do not recognize city, county, or special district boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale seeks to maintain and enhance both a disaster-resistant City of Sunnyvale and region by reducing the potential loss of life, property damage, and environmental degradation from natural disasters, while accelerating economic recovery from those disasters; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale is committed to increasing the disaster resistance of the infrastructure, health, housing, economy, government services, education, environment, and land use systems in the City of Sunnyvale, as well as in the Bay Area as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all cities, counties, and special districts to have adopted a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to receive disaster mitigation funding from FEMA; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) has approved and adopted the ABAG report Taming Natural Disasters as the multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Sunnyvale adopts, and adapts with its local annex, this multi-jurisdictional plan as its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Sunnyvale commits to continuing to take those actions and initiating further actions, as appropriate, as identified in the City of Sunnyvale Annex of that multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan by adopting this list of mitigation strategies as the Implementation Appendix of the Safety Element of Its General Plan.

Introduced and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on _____, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk
(SEAL)

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael D. Martello, Interim City Attorney