



CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

DATE June 25, 2009

TO: John Szerlag, Acting City Manager

FROM: Gary Mayer, Chief of Police
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SUBJECT: Adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS); Confirmation of the Appointment of Oakland County as the City of Troy's Emergency Management Coordinator; and Designation of the City of Troy's Liaison to the Oakland County Emergency Management Coordinator

Background:

- In 2003 The President of the United States directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop a National Incident Management System.
- The system was developed in 2004 and is known as (NIMS). NIMS provides a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, tribal and local governments to work together to prepare for, prevent, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity. NIMS was revised in 2008.
- The City of Troy has historically chosen to operate under the Oakland County Emergency Management Plan and designate a liaison to the Oakland County Emergency Management Coordinator.

Financial Considerations:

- During large scale incidents, the Federal Government may provide financial assistance. In order to receive federal funds, a local unit of government must have passed a resolution adopting NIMS for use at incidents within the jurisdiction.
- It is more cost effective for Troy to operate under the Oakland County Emergency Management Plan.

Legal Considerations:

- The National Incident Management System (NIMS) is a nationally recognized standard for managing emergency incidents. Failure to use the system during incidents may create liability exposure.

Policy Considerations:

The adoption of NIMS is consistent with the following outcome statement

- Troy enhances the livability and safety of the community

Options:

- City management supports and recommends the adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- City Management supports and recommends confirmation of Oakland County as the City of Troy Emergency Management Coordinator.
- City Management recommends that the City Manager be designated as the Liaison to the Oakland County Emergency Management Coordinator