

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012

For Agenda Of: September 16, 2014

Placement: Set Hearing Estimated Tme: 30 minutes

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: CEO Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer x3400

Contact Info: Ryan Rockabrand, Director x5526

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SUBJECT: Set Hearing for Amending Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

Other Concurrences; Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- 1. Set a hearing on the Departmental Agenda of October 14, 2014 to consider the introduction (first reading) of an ordinance amending Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code entitled Emergency Management (Attachment A) (read title and waive further reading beyond the title); and
- 2. Set hearing on the Administrative Agenda of October 21, 2014 (second reading) to:
 - a. Consider adoption (second reading) of an ordinance amending Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code relating to Emergency Management (Attachment A and Attachment B with strikeouts); and
 - b. Find that this activity is exempt from review on the basis that it can be seen with certainties that there is no possibility that the activity may have significant effect on the environment under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3) and approve of filing a Notice of Exemption (Attachment C) on this basis.

Summary Text:

The Board will consider the adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code by adopting the revised ordinance with amendments as follows:

- 1. Renaming Chapter 12 from "Civil Defense and Disaster" to "Emergency Management".
- 2. Defining the operational area in context of the standardized emergency management system.
- 3. Defining the emergency organization, including the roles and responsibilities of the director of emergency services, the director of emergency management, amending the composition of the Disaster Council, and establishing a Recovery Advisory Council.

Background: The current version of Chapter 12 places the Office of Emergency Management in the County Fire Department, recognized the county administrator (at that time) as the director of emergency services and created a coordinator of emergency services, appointed by the director of emergency services. The ordinance provided lines of succession for the members of the Board of Supervisors, and other offices. The proposed revisions to the ordinance ensure compliance with state law, and define the current structure of today's emergency organization.

Highlights of the proposed ordinance include;

- Ensuring consistency between the local emergency management ordinance and state law.
- Establishing a Recovery Advisory Council. The Recovery Advisory Council establishes policies and procedures for post emergency or post disaster activities related to public (local government) or individual (private citizen) assistance programs.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

None with this action.

Fiscal Analysis:

There is no cost associated with the proposed ordinance amendment

Special Instructions:

- Clerk of the Board shall complete noticing for the ordinance in the Santa Barbara News Press, Lompoc Record and Santa Maria Times 10 days prior to the hearing.
- Please send a copy of the adopted ordinance and a certified copy of the minute order to Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Management.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Proposed Ordinance

Attachment B - Proposed Ordinance with Strikeouts

Attachment C - Notice of Exemption

Attachment D - Public Notice

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