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# Public Safety Committee Memorandum

**TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS      DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2016**

**FROM: FIRE DEPARTMENT      WARDS: ALL**

**SUBJECT: CITY OF RIVERSIDE LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2017 UPDATE -  
DIRECT SUBMITTAL**

**ISSUE:**

Receive an update on the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Public Safety Committee receive an update on Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 ("DMA 2000") (Public Law 106-390) provides the legal basis for FEMA mitigation planning requirements for State, local and Tribal governments as a condition of mitigation grant assistance. DMA 2000 amended the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Act by repealing the previous mitigation planning provisions and replacing them with a new set of requirements that emphasize the need for State, local, and Tribal entities to closely coordinate mitigation planning and implementation efforts.

The purpose of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) is to identify the City's hazards, review and assess past disaster occurrences, estimate the probability of future occurrences, and set mitigation goals to help reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from natural and other hazards. An LHMP is a requirement for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre-disaster and post-disaster mitigation project grant assistance.

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 16, 2016, the City of Riverside Office of Emergency Management (OEM) joined with the Riverside County Emergency Management Department (EMD) in the development of a Riverside County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP).

A Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan consists of multiple jurisdictions such as the county, cities and special districts, coming together to develop a main plan. Each jurisdiction develops a section, specific to their jurisdictional planning needs, called an Annex.

The OEM began developing a single jurisdiction LHMP prior to joining with the county. This planning work will be used in the development of the city specific MJHMP Annex.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The OEM joined with the Riverside County EMD to collaborate in a multi-jurisdictional environment for scheduling and data gathering issues. This regional planning effort allows for a more comprehensive hazard mitigation planning document.

As part of data gathering for the hazard mitigation planning process, the OEM conducted a public comment period from January 2016 to February 2016. This comment period consisted of a survey seeking feedback on hazards that affect the City and overall emergency preparedness. The OEM has gathered 175 survey responses, conducted fifteen (15) public meetings, four (4) community partner meetings with local hospitals, education sector and the Community Emergency Response Team, and held nine (9) Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Team meetings with other City department representatives. The combined feedback will be incorporated in the City of Riverside Annex to the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP).

The OEM will submit the City of Riverside MJHMP Annex to Riverside County in March of 2017 for integration into the overall plan. The OEM will bring a final draft of the City of Riverside MJHMP Annex to the Public Safety Committee by spring 2017 for reference, pending state and federal approval. The Riverside County MJHMP and City of Riverside MJHMP Annex will be submitted to the state and FEMA in summer 2017 for approval. The OEM will bring to City Council for adoption the MJHMP and City of Riverside MJHMP Annex after approval by CalOES and FEMA.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact with the receipt of this update.

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