

RESOLUTION NO. 24-05

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AS THE POLICY OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity;

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all Federal, State, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management;

WHEREAS, HSPD-5 requires Federal departments and agencies to make adoption of the NIMS by State, tribal, and local organizations a condition for Federal preparedness assistance beginning in fiscal year 2005;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that Federal, State, local, and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters;

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the State's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes;

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE that:

The City of West Lafayette does hereby establish the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standard for incident management to be followed by the agencies and department of the City of West Lafayette.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and signing by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED AND FILED ON _____, 2005.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON _____, 2005, HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A VOTE OF ____ IN FAVOR AND ____ OPPOSED.

Presiding Officer

Attested:

Clerk-Treasurer

PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ON _____, 2005, AT THE HOUR OF _____ .M.

Clerk-Treasurer

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME ON _____, 2005, AT THE HOUR OF _____ .M.

Jan H. Mills, Mayor

Attested:

Clerk-Treasurer