



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** Ord. 2020-73, **Version:** 1

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### **AGENDA CAPTION:**

Consider approval of Ordinance 2020-73, on the first of two readings, amending section 26.002 of the San Marcos City Code to establish that the City will implement the National Incident Management System ("NIMS") as its model for managing public safety emergencies and incidents; providing a savings clause; providing for the repeal of any conflicting provisions; and providing an effective date.

**Meeting date:** September 1, 2020

**Department:** Neighborhood Enhancement - Resource Recovery

### **Amount & Source of Funding**

**Funds Required:** N/A

**Account Number:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Funds Available:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Account Name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

### **Fiscal Note:**

**Prior Council Action:** N/A

**City Council Strategic Initiative:** [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

N/A

Choose an item.

Choose an item.

**Comprehensive Plan Element (s):** [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

- ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
- ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- ☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
- ☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- ☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- ☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
- ☒ Core Services

☐ Not Applicable

**Master Plan:** *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Choose an item.

**Background Information:**

In July 2006, Chapter 26 was re-written in its entirety. During the re-write, the requirement to NIMS as the city's system for managing large-scale events and incidents was not included. The NIMS clause in the ordinance is a grant funding requirement for both State and federal grants. This requirement is based on:

- The President of the United States has issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 5, directing the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS) to provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic emergency and disaster incidents; and
- the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities, and resources will improve the City of San Marcos' ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and
- input and guidance from the City of San Marcos has been and will continue to be vital to developing, implementing, and utilizing the NIMS system; and
- HSPD-5 requires that state and local governments adopt NIMS as a pre-condition for the receipt of federal grants, contracts and activities to the management and preparedness for certain disasters and hazard situations.

**Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

N/A

**Alternatives:**

N/A

**Recommendation:**

The staff recommendation is to approve this ordinance amendment.