



City of Santa Barbara California

PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

REPORT DATE: July 11, 2013
AGENDA DATE: July 18, 2013
PROJECT NAME: Disaster Preparedness Information Meeting
TO: Planning Commission
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As part of the City's 2013 Safety Element Update, Planning Staff has been working closely with City Fire Department's Emergency Services Manager. In response to comments and questions received on the Draft Safety Element (May 2013), Planning Staff has coordinated a worksession on Disaster Preparedness and Community Resiliency. These issues are a critical component of the 2013 Safety Element Update.

On July 18, 2013, the City Planning Commission will hold an information meeting on Disaster Preparedness. The main presenter will be the City's Emergency Services Manager Yolanda McGlinchey. Guest speakers that are tentatively scheduled to participate include:

Name	Title	Organization Representative
Anthony Mitchell	CAC Human Resources and Emergency Manager	Chair of VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters)
James Caesar	UCSB Emergency Manager	Chair of the County Public Education Subcommittee
Richard Abrams	County Emergency Manager	Chair of the Emergency Managers Committee
Dean Phaneuf	Emergency Manager	American Red Cross Santa Barbara County Chapter

Michael Williams	President of the Wildland Residents Assoc.	Chair of EPIC (Emergency Public Information Communicators)
Craig Fry	Flir EHS Manager	Chair of CAER (Community Awareness & Emergency Response)

Attached is a copy of the flyer that was sent out to neighborhood groups and other interested organizations (Exhibit A). Exhibit B is the outline for the meeting. This is a great opportunity to learn about disaster preparedness organizations on the South Coast and to discuss what it means to be a resilient community.

The Final Safety Element is tentatively scheduled for Planning Commission review and recommendations to Council on August 22, 2013.

Exhibits:

- A. Disaster Preparedness: How Resilient is our Community flyer
- B. Disaster Preparedness Outline – July 18, 2013



Disaster Preparedness: How Resilient is our Community?



A Planning Commission Information Meeting

Thursday July 18, 2013

1:00 PM

City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall

735 Anacapa Street

Also Broadcast live at City TV Channel 18



Come learn about how local government and non-profit agencies work together to prepare for emergencies and disasters in our community.



Come learn about YOUR important role in the emergency preparedness, response and recovery.



Come ask questions about how we can become a more resilient community.

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Disaster Preparedness: How Resilient is our Community?



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- **Four Phases of Emergency Management**
 - Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
 - EOC Operations
 - Organizational Levels
- **Declaring a Disaster**
- **Collaborations**
 - County Office of Emergency Management
 - Public Education Subcommittee
 - Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
 - Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)
 - Community Awareness & Emergency Response (CAER)
 - Emergency Public Information Communicators (EPIC)
- **City Emergency Plan Overview**
- **Current and Past Projects**
- **Definition of a Resilient Community**
- **Question & Answer**