

# SALT LAKE CITY CORPORATION

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## COUNCIL TRANSMITTAL

TO: Rocky J. Fluhart  
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FROM: Michael W. Stever  
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DATE: October 18, 2005

SUBJECT: Adoption of National Incident Management System ("NIMS")

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Resolution

BUDGET IMPACT: None

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

With respect to the role of state and local governments, the Directive recognizes:

"the roles and responsibilities of State and local authorities in domestic incident management. Initial responsibility for managing domestic incidents generally falls on State and local authorities. The Federal Government will assist State and local authorities when their resources are overwhelmed, or when Federal interests are involved. The Secretary [of Homeland Security] will coordinate with State and local governments to ensure adequate planning, equipment, training and exercise activities. The Secretary will also provide assistance to State and local government to develop all-hazards plans and capabilities, including those of greatest importance to the security of the United States, and will ensure that State, local, and Federal plans are compatible." (para. 6)

The Secretary of Homeland Security was directed to develop and administer NIMS. Beginning with Fiscal Year 2005, Federal departments and agencies were directed to make adoption of the NIMS a requirement for providing Federal preparedness assistance--grants, contracts, or other activities.

Governor Walker adopted NIMS by Executive Order 2004-0012 on December 22, 2004.

Salt Lake City public safety response already uses the Incident Command System as our emergency response management system. The Incident Command System is part of the National Incident Management System. The Salt Lake City Emergency Response Plan already adheres to National Incident Management System standards and vocabulary. Therefore, formal adoption of the National Incident Management System will have no impact on the way Salt Lake City currently manages emergency and disaster situations.

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the resolution be adopted so that the City may be eligible for potential federal and state funding.

SALT LAKE CITY RESOLUTION

NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2005

[A Resolution Adopting the National Incident  
Management System (NIMS)]

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM (NIMS).

WHEREAS, President Bush signed Homeland Security Presidential Directive / HSPD-5,  
on February 28, 2003 establishing the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

WHEREAS, the NIMS established a single, comprehensive approach to domestic  
incident management to ensure that all levels of government across the Nation have the  
capability to work efficiently and effectively together using a national approach to domestic  
incident management; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, and  
local governments to work together to prepare for and respond to, and recover from domestic  
incidents regardless of the cause, size and complexity; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides for interoperability and compatibility among Federal,  
State and local capabilities and includes a core set of concepts, principals, terminology and  
technologies covering the incident command system, unified command, training, management or  
resources and reporting; and

WHEREAS, beginning in Fiscal Year 2005 all Federal departments and agencies shall  
make adoption of the NIMS a requirement, to the extent provided by law, for providing Federal  
preparedness assistance through grants, contracts or other activities to local governments; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walker signed Executive Order 2004-0012 on December 22, 2004 adopting the use of NIMS;

WHEREAS, in order for Salt Lake City to qualify for certain federal grants and other funding, it is necessary for Salt Lake City to adopt the NIMS;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) is adopted as Salt Lake City's system of preparing for and responding to disaster incidents.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, this \_\_\_\_ day of November, 2005.

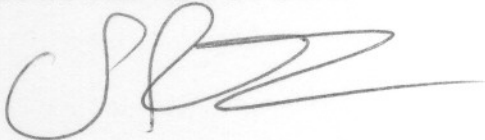
SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST AND COUNTERSIGN:

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CHIEF DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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SALT LAKE CITY ATTORNEY

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