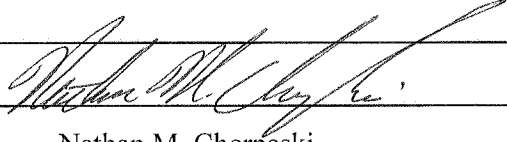


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: July 14, 2010	AGENDA NO. VII. C. 6.b	SUBJECT: Resolution No.12, 2010 Designating the City Hall/ Fire Station at 425 4 th Street as the Cities emergency operations center for local emergencies.
Department Head:		
City Manager:		
Nathan M. Cherpeski		
PRESENTED BY:	Nathan M. Cherpeski	

Recommendation

It is recommendation of staff to adopt alternative 1, approving the attached resolution designating City Hall/Fire Station as an emergency operation center for local emergencies.

Background

During the Salmonella incident, the city used the Regional Emergency Operation Center located at the county administration building. As the event became more local in nature, the city shifted its emergency operation functions to the City Hall. The attached resolution will officially designate the City Hall as the city's emergency operation center for local events.

Regional incidents would use the Regional EOC at the County Administration building. The City would use its emergency operations for local events or as a secondary location for regional events if necessary.

The adoption of this resolution has been requested as part of the EOC grant we received with the Fire Department from Congressman Salazar's office.

Issue Before the Council

Does the City Council wish to enact the attached resolution designating the City Hall as its emergency operation center for local events?

Alternatives

Alternative 1. Adopt the attached resolution designating the City Hall/Fire Station as the city's primary emergency operation center for local events.

Alternative 2. Decline the act at this time and give staff further directions.

Fiscal Impact

The act of designating the emergency operations center carries with it no additional fiscal impact to the City. The City has been taking efforts to allow for the use of City Hall as it's emergency operation center for some time. The official designation of it is an item requested by the Federal Emergency Management Administration or FEMA.

Legal Opinion

The City Attorney will be present for any legal comments or questions.

Conclusion

The attached resolution will formalize the city's practice of using its City Hall/Fire Station as the city's primary emergency operation center for local emergencies. The adoption of the resolution will also allow the city to continue moving forward with the emergency operations center grant received through Congressman Salazar's office.

Resolution No. 12, 2010

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CURRENT CITY HALL/FIRE STATION AS
THE CITY'S PRIMARY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER FOR
EMERGENCIES THAT ARE LOCAL IN NATURE.**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alamosa, Colorado, recognizes the importance of emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alamosa, Colorado desires to designate an area our primary emergency operation center and make provisions for backup facilities ; and

WHEREAS, the City has in the past used the City Hall/Fire Station for an emergency operations center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALAMOSA, COLORADO:

That the City Hall/Fire Station located at 425 4th Street Alamosa, CO be designated at the City's primary Emergency Operations Center for local events.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED, THIS 21st DAY OF JULY 2010.

ATTEST:

CITY OF ALAMOSA, COLORADO

Judy A. Egbert, City Clerk

By: _____
Kathleen J. Rogers, Mayor