

**SAMPLE CITY ORDINANCE ADOPTING  
THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)**

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)  
AS THE STANDARD FOR INCIDENT MANAGEMENT BY THE CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

WHEREAS, on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, the President issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) – 5 that directed the Department of Homeland Security, in cooperation with representatives of federal, state, and local government, to develop a National Incident Management System (NIMS) to provide a consistent approach to the effective management of situations involving natural disasters, man-made disasters or terrorism; and

WHEREAS, the final NIMS was released on the \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_, and

WHEREAS, the NIMS contains a practice model for the accomplishment of the significant responsibilities associated with prevention, preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation of all major and national hazards situations, and

WHEREAS, the HSPD-5 requires that state and local governments adopt the NIMS by fiscal year 2005 as a pre-condition to the receipt of federal grants, contract and activities related to the management and preparedness for certain disaster and hazard situations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of \_\_\_\_\_  
desires to adopt the NIMS as required by HSPD-5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_:

Hereby adopts the National Incident Management System dated March 1, 2004.

READ AND APPROVED on first reading this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

READ AND APPROVED AND ADOPTED on second reading this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
, Mayor

ATTEST:

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, City Secretary