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I. Call to Order, Introductions, Approval of Minutes

Rob Freeman called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Jeanean Barrajas with Building and Safety has promoted to Emergency Management Coordinator I, and Commander David Kowalski with the Los Angeles Police Department were introduced. The minutes of the April 3, 2019 Emergency Management Committee (EMC) meeting were approved.

II. Subcommittee Reports and Planning Teams

Budget – Rob Freeman reported preparation is being done for the Council Budget Hearing scheduled for May 6, 2019.

Community Preparedness – Veronica Hendrix reported the subcommittee did not meet in April 2019. Emergency preparedness literature is being reviewed and updated in order to meet the needs of Angelenos. Emergency Preparedness Activity Sheets for kids were distributed at the Earth Day event on Saturday April 27, 2019. Thanks to Emergency Management Department (EMD) interns Gina Wu and Carmina De Santiago for creating the activity sheets. The Ready Your Los Angeles Neighborhood (RYLAN) initiative has completed ninety-five (95) community emergency plans, exceeding the original goal of eighty (80) by June 30, 2019. A RYLAN social media campaign was launched on Facebook, Nextdoor and Twitter resulting in an increased interest in the program. Upcoming events include the Atwater Village Flood Information Workshop on May 11, 2019, and the Wildfire Evacuation Exercise in the Mandeville Canyon area on May 17, 2019. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2019.

Chris Ipsen added a Mandeville Town Hall meeting was held on April 30, 2019 with over two hundred (200) people in attendance.

Disabilities and Access and Functional Needs – Omari Battles reported the Incorporating Whole Community Planning into the Emergency Management Process training will be held on June 19, 2019. The next meeting is scheduled for May 29, 2019.

Human Resources – Bobbi Jacobsen reported mandatory employee participation in the Disaster Service Worker (DSW) program has been added to all job bulletins. The DSW toolkit and the DSW Activation Standard Operating Procedures are being updated. Personnel is creating four (4) four (4) to six (6) minute videos regarding the DSW program. The monthly DSW report was provided to the assembly.

Planning – Larry Meyerhofer reported the subcommittee did not meet in April 2019. The Pandemic Annex will be sent to the Emergency Operations Board on May 21, 2019. Work continues to be done with LAPD on the Medical Point of Distribution plan. EMD Planning Division is redacting all forty-five (45) plans and annexes. The original un-redacted plans and annexes will be posted on the City of Los Angeles intranet. The Two (2) Year 2019-2021 Planning Division Schedule has been finalized and emailed to department representatives. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2019.

Taylor Lorence, Public Health Liaison, provided a measles update. All County of Los Angeles Public Health Department Operations Centers have been activated since April 22, 2019. There are six confirmed cases in the County of Los Angeles. There were two quarantines: 1) University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) that ended April 30, 2019 and 2) California State University Los Angeles (Cal State LA) that will end on May 2, 2019. The most recent confirmed case is in the Antelope Valley and has been issued a quarantine order. New potential cases of exposure were detected at Los Angeles World Airports and at the Home Depot in Lancaster, CA.

Doctor Arthur Manoukian, Chief Physician with Personnel Department, advised there are nine hundred (900) contact investigations at Cal State LA, and eight hundred and fifty (850) contact investigations at UCLA. Measles is a highly contagious airborne disease that presents with flu like symptoms. The incubation period is three (3) to twenty-one (21) days. A descending rash will start at the head and move down with flat salmon colored bumps. Those at risk are children less than twelve (12) months of age, pregnant women, immune compromised people (HIV+, post-transplant patients [Liver transplant, kidney transplant]) and newly immune compromised patient after introduction of immuno modulators to treat auto-immune diseases. Four days before the rash develops and four days after the rash leaves, the patient is infectious. There are three strategies to fight measles: 1) Get full immunity or vaccination, 2) Early identification of the sick person in order to isolate them, and 3) Investigation of individuals in contact with the patient.

Operations – Chris Ipsen reported the City is switching over from NotifyLA to Everbridge. Chris thanked the City Administrative Officer for approving the Alternate Emergency Operations Center (EOC) back-up generator budget package, that would retrofit the building with generators in the event of an emergency. May Day is scheduled for May 1, 2019, with a Level III EOC Activation from 1300-2100 hours. The Barack Obama Boulevard Naming Ceremony, is scheduled for May 4, 2019, EMD Duty Officer status, with an expected fifteen thousand (15,000) in attendance. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2019.

Shelter and Welfare – Sonya Young Jimenez reported the subcommittee did not meet in April 2019. On May 22, 2019 a large animal shelter policies and procedures meeting has been scheduled with the County of Los Angeles. The next WebEOC training will be conducted on June 4, 2019. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2019.

Training / Exercises – Gary Singer reported June 6, 2019 the Terrorism Seminar will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, and is organized by the Mayor's Office, invitation only. Save the date for June 18, 2019, Public Information Officer & Warning Seminar. G775191 is scheduled for June 25-27, 2019. The WebEOC class scheduled for May 23, 2019 is full. The Situational Awareness & Common Operating Picture course will be held on June 20-21, 2019. The Defense Support of Civil Authorities seminar is scheduled for August 28, 2019. Gary will contact City satellite phone holders on how to use the device with a communications drill scheduled at a future date. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled on May 14, 2019.

III. 2018 Woolsey Fire Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Activation After Action Report/Improvement Plan – Chris Ipsen

Chris Ipsen requested the approval of the 2018 Woolsey Fire EOC Activation After Action Report/Improvement Plan. The motion was approved and will be forwarded to the Emergency Operations Board for approval

IV. 2019/2020 MYTEP Overview – Robbie Spears

Robbie Spears provided an overview of the findings from the Multi Year Training and Exercise Planning (MYTEP) workshop and poll. The MYTEP document/plan will be posted to the EMD website.

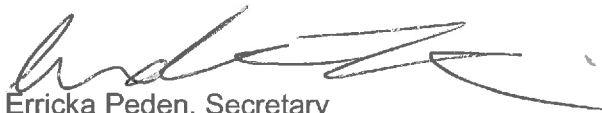
V. Old / New Business

VI. Adjournment

Rob Freeman adjourned the EMC meeting in the memory of Mike Cates at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:



Erricka Peden, Secretary
Emergency Management Department



Rob Freeman, Chair
Emergency Management Committee