



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

Agenda Item Number: 3

Agenda Date: January 18, 2022

In Control: Public Safety Committee

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Charles Hood, Fire Chief

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

A briefing and discussion on a Council Consideration Request (CCR) from Councilmember Clayton H. Perry on the Creation of Emergency Preparedness Community Guide

SUMMARY:

On February 25, 2021, Councilmember Clayton Perry initiated a Council Consideration Request (CCR) for City staff, CPS, and SAWS to examine the feasibility of creating an emergency preparedness guide and videos for community distribution.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

San Antonio experienced a severe winter weather in February of 2021, Winter Storm Uri, rarely seen in our community. This brought unprecedented freezing temperatures for an extended period of time that affected energy and water infrastructure.

Councilmember Perry's request seeks to proactively address San Antonio residents' individual and family preparedness by enhancing programming, training, and resources available to the public.

The Office of Emergency Management has combined emergency preparedness resources from the Ready South Texas Program, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to develop a winter preparedness guide for San Antonio.

In addition to this guide, a door hanger with a checklist on how to prepare for a winter storm has been developed. The City will also use preparedness videos already available from FEMA for its preparedness campaign. All the materials are available in English and Spanish.

ISSUE:

The City's Emergency Management Office will provide an overview of its current community education and preparedness materials that will be launched in January 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ALTERNATIVES:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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