

RESOLUTION 21-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFAX ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS the Town Council desires to form a Community Emergency Preparedness Committee (Committee) to support and help coordinate collaborative town-wide efforts to prepare residents to respond to emergencies of all kinds; and

WHEREAS the Town Council will follow its standard practice of interviewing and appointing members to the Committee; consider the ratification of appointments from the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce and Age Friendly Fairfax via the Park and Recreation Commission; assign a Council representative; and request a liaison from the Ross Valley Fire Department; and

WHEREAS the general focus of the Committee would be on tangible, practical, cost-effective actions regarding emergency preparedness that can be implemented at the local level, including but not limited to the following:

- a. increase community awareness about the full spectrum of potential disasters and the need for emergency preparedness;
- b. consolidate, develop, and distribute emergency preparedness information and educational materials;
- c. facilitate communication and coordination between existing emergency preparedness programs;
- d. develop, recommend, and implement new community outreach and education activities;
- e. promote and develop volunteer opportunities to encourage community participation in local efforts, such as Firewise and Neighborhood Response Groups (NRG);
- f. collaborate with other governmental agencies focused on emergency preparedness (via coordination of community presentations and regular preparedness updates from Town Council representatives, Town staff, and other local/regional emergency preparedness personnel).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax that the Fairfax Community Emergency Preparedness Committee shall be established as follows:

1. The Committee shall consist of one (1) liaison from the Fairfax Town Council, one (1) liaison from the Ross Valley Fire Department (RVFD), and (7) members appointed by the Town Council and representing the following Town stakeholders:
 - a. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
 - b. Firewise

- c. Neighborhood Response Group (NRG)
 - d. The Fairfax Chamber of Commerce
 - e. Age Friendly Fairfax
 - f. Community members-at-large (2)
2. Each appointed member shall serve for a three-year term, with the initial terms staggered to avoid complete turnover in year three.

The foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax held in said Town on the 5th day of May 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: ACKERMAN, COLER, CUTRANO, GODDARD, HELLMAN
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Attest: Michele Gardner
Michele Gardner, Town Clerk

Bruce Ackerman
BRUCE ACKERMAN, Mayor