

ORDINANCE NO. 005-143

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
THE ADOPTION OF THE
NATIONAL INCIDENT
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)

WHEREAS, In Homeland Security Directive (HSPD) -5, President Bush directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a national incident management system (NIMS) which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local and tribal governments ("Governments") to work together more effectively and to efficiently prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause or complexity; and

WHEREAS, The collective input and guidance from the Governments has been and will continue to be vital to the development, effective implementation, and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary that all Government agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide levels of incident management; and

WHEREAS, To facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management, it is critical that the Governments utilize standardized terminology, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standard planning, training and exercising, and comprehensive resource management, and that they designate incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, The NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the Authority's ability to utilize federal funding, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident processes; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends the adoption of the Nation Incident Management System; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby adopts for Authority use the Nation Incident Management System. The NIMS implementation system is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

October 11, 2005

Assistant Secretary

October 11, 2005