

Legislation Text

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Consider A **Resolution Adopting The 2020 Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Update.**

BACKGROUND:

The Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) require communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for various pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes. FEMA requires communities to update these plans every five years to be eligible for federal funding. The City of Carrollton currently has a FEMA-approved plan called the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Plan. This Plan was approved by City Council on January 12, 2016. It was submitted as a joint plan with Dallas County and partnering jurisdictions.

In 2019, Dallas County, Carrollton and the 19 other jurisdictions collectively updated the 2015 Hazard Mitigation Plan to be submitted and approved by FEMA in 2020. Dallas County hired H2O Partners to assist with the update of the plan and plan submittal to the State and to FEMA. In the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, Carrollton assessed risks from a range of hazards, and identified risk reduction strategies and actions for hazards that threaten the community. If the City were awarded federal funding after a disaster, the hazard mitigation plan will be used as a baseline for possible funding.

Each jurisdiction that is partnering in the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan 2020 is required to have their City Council adopt the plan by resolution before the final plan is submitted to FEMA for approval. Once approved, the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 will be in good standing until its next required update in 2025. The final draft of the plan will be accessible on the Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management website.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no cost to the City to adopt the plan. The adoption of the plan allows for possible allotment of federal disaster grant funds in the future.

IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

The importance of adopting the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update is that it allows the City to apply for federal disaster funding. The Plan is a tool used to formulate projects to mitigate the various identified hazards (e.g. flooding, tornado, etc.) that can or may have impacted the City in the past.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Staff recommends City Council approval of a resolution adopting the 2020 Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Update.