

RESOLUTION 2021-076
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
ADOPTING THE 2021 LARIMER COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City has experienced flooding, wildfires, and other natural and human-caused hazard events that pose risks to public health and safety and may cause serious property damage; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2016, the City Council adopted Resolution 2016-048 approving and adopting the current Larimer County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (the "2016 Plan"), which expires in 2021; and

WHEREAS, having a current mitigation plan allows participating entities to apply for pre-disaster and post-disaster mitigation funds, which has been critical to the City in 2020 and 2021.

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Planning Committee, representing twenty-seven different jurisdictions within Larimer County including the City of Fort Collins, has developed an update to the 2016 Plan in accordance with FEMA requirements at 44 C.F.R. 201.6 (the "2021 Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Plan updates the list of disaster declarations, hazards data and past occurrences to include 2016-2020 data regarding wildfire risk, potential consequences of climate change, flood hazard, and earthquake vulnerability; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Plan recommends several mitigation actions that will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property; and

WHEREAS, two public meetings were held on May 28, 2020, and October 13, 2020, to present draft planning documents and to solicit input during the development of the 2021 Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Plan, dated May 2021, is over 319 pages long with over 1000 pages of attachments, so is on file and available in electronic format through the City Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, the draft 2021 Plan was made available for public comment from February 1, 2021 to February 22, 2021 to solicit questions and comments; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that Council approve and adopt the 2021 Plan as consistent with the City's interests and objectives related to hazard prevention and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to approve and adopt the 2021 Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That the City Council hereby approves and adopts the 2021 Plan, replacing and superseding the 2016 Plan, and resolves to support efforts and determinations contained in the 2021 Plan.

Section 4. The City Manager is hereby directed to cause the City organization, as identified in the 2021 Plan, to pursue implementation of the recommended priority actions that may be assigned to their respective departments/divisions.

Section 5. That any action proposed in the 2021 Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval if funding is required.

Section 6. That this Resolution shall not be interpreted as a mandate for any funding appropriations.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 20th day of July, A.D. 2021.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Interim City Clerk

