

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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8/20/2015

Fire /
Fire Department

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Approval of a Resolution adopting the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Washington County and the City of Fayetteville

Budget Impact:

Account Number

Fund

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? NA

Current Budget
Funds Obligated

Current Balance

\$ -

Does item have a cost? NA

Item Cost

Budget Adjustment Attached? NA

Budget Adjustment

Remaining Budget

\$ -

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Previous Ordinance or Resolution # _____

Original Contract Number: _____

Approval Date: _____

Comments:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: David Dayringer, Fire Chief

DATE: August 20, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolution adopting the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Washington County and the City of Fayetteville.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Washington County and the City of Fayetteville (July 2015) in order to remain eligible for Federal Disaster Grants and Loans.

BACKGROUND:

In the past, federal legislation has provided funding for disaster relief funding, recovery, and some hazard mitigation planning. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (OMA 2000) amended the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by repealing the previous Mitigation Planning section (409) and replacing it with new Mitigation Planning section (322). This new section emphasizes the need for State, Tribal, and Local entities to coordinate mitigation planning and implementation efforts. The new Legislation reinforces the importance of mitigation planning and emphasizes planning for disasters before they occur. As such, this Act establishes a pre-disaster hazard mitigation program and new requirements for the national post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). It also requires that communities must have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan in order to receive assistance through the Stafford Act, excluding assistance provided pursuant to emergency provisions.

DISCUSSION:

The Washington County Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan (WCHMP) was created to protect the health, safety, and economic interests of all Washington County residents by reducing the risk of natural hazards. The plan provides a path toward continuous, proactive identification, and reduction of vulnerability to the most frequent hazards that result in repetitive and often severe social, economic, and physical damage. This plan provides a foundation for hazard mitigation activities within the municipalities of Washington County.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Washington County, Arkansas Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan

RESOLUTION NO.: 2015-_____

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF _____,
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE
OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE
ENTITLED:**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PRE HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS AND THE CITY OF _____**

WHEREAS, certain areas of Washington County and the
City of _____ are subject to periodic flooding and other natural and man-
caused hazards with the potential to cause damage to property within the area; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County and the City of
_____ desire to prepare for and mitigate such circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, in
accordance with 44 CFR 201.6, the United States Federal Emergency Management
Agency (FEMA) requires that local jurisdictions have in place a FEMA-approved Pre
Hazard Mitigation Action Plan as a condition of receipt of certain future Federal
mitigation funding; and

WHEREAS, to assist cities and the County in meeting
this requirement, Washington County, with the assistance of Arkansas Tech
University, has initiated development of a county-wide multi-jurisdiction Pre Hazard
Mitigation Plan for the County and all jurisdictions in the County, specifically the
cities and school districts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. The City of _____ hereby adopts the Pre Hazard Mitigation Plan in its entirety.

ARTICLE 2. The City of _____ appoints the Washington County Emergency Management Director to assure that the Pre Hazard Mitigation Plan will be reviewed at least annually and that any needed adjustment to the Pre Hazard Mitigation Plan be developed and presented to the City Council for consideration.

ARTICLE 3. The City of _____ hereby agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Pre Hazard Mitigation Plan.

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