

RESOLUTION NO. 173-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE 2025 UPDATES TO THE COUNTYWIDE LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY AND THE PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION.

Whereas, City of Plant City is located in an area that is vulnerable to natural and man-made disasters; and

Whereas, pursuant to federal and state law, a Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) is a plan that presents a unified strategy toward reducing identified hazards within a community; and

Whereas, Title 42 United States Code Chapter 68 requires local governments to develop mitigation plans outlining processes for identifying natural hazards, risks and vulnerabilities that may affect their jurisdictions; and

Whereas, Chapter 44 Code of Federal Regulations Part 201 requires that local governments prepare and adopt a jurisdiction-wide natural hazard mitigation plan; and requires them to review and update said plan every five years in order to be eligible to receive project grant funds under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program ("HMGP"); and

Whereas, on October 25, 1999, the City Commission adopted resolution No. 148-1999, supporting and adopting the County's first LMS for Hillsborough County and the cities of Plant City, Tampa, and Temple Terrace; and

Whereas, in accordance with Chapter 27P-22 of the Florida Administrative Code ("FAC"), the county-wide LMS 2025 Update sets forth the method for monitoring and evaluating changes to hazard assessments, the project priority list, the critical facilities list, the repetitive flood-loss list, and map revisions; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update has been prepared pursuant to 44 Code of Federal Regulations Part 201; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update has received the conditional approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") and the FDEM; and

Whereas, the State and Federal conditional approval of the LMS 2025 Update will become final upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners; and

Whereas, the FEMA operates the National Flood Insurance Program ("NFIP"); and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update addresses hazard mitigation concerns from the standpoint of Hillsborough County's participation in the NFIP; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update continues to serve as the floodplain management plan and to address repetitive flood loss properties; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update may require future amendments to address changes in Federal floodplain regulations or programs; and

Whereas, Hillsborough County has also prepared a 2025 update to its Program for Public Information (PPI) as part of the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS), which outlines coordinated outreach and public awareness activities designed to improve flood risk understanding and encourage flood mitigation actions; and

Whereas, the updated PPI was developed through a multi-jurisdictional process with municipal partners and community stakeholders and is intended to be adopted alongside the LMS 2025 Update to align both documents on a unified five-year cycle; and

Whereas, the NFIP's Community Rating System ("CRS") is a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements; and

Whereas, flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from the community actions which meet the CRS's goals of flood loss reduction, accurate insurance rate facilitation and the promotion of the awareness of flood insurance; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update serves as a guidance for the Hillsborough County Post-Disaster Redevelopment Plan; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update works in concert with Chapter 22, Article III, Hillsborough County Code of Ordinances, Part A, which establishes mitigation efforts following a storm event; and

Whereas, the LMS Working Group is required by Chapter 27P-22, FAC and has a membership which is approved annually by the Board of County Commissioners; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update incorporates the local Citizen Corps Council membership into the LMS process; and

Whereas, public meetings were held to receive public comment and recommendations for the LMS 2025 Update; and

Whereas, the LMS 2025 Update was developed by Hillsborough County, the City of Plant City, the City of Tampa, the City of Temple Terrace, community interests, stakeholders, and the communitywide Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group; and

Whereas, the proposed LMS 2025 Update has been filed with the Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, and by this reference is made a part hereof; and

Whereas, Hillsborough County has also prepared a 2025 update to its Program for Public Information (PPI) to support ongoing participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), and to enhance public awareness and outreach regarding flood risk and mitigation strategies; and

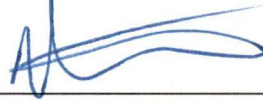
Whereas, the PPI 2025 Update aligns with the goals of the Local Mitigation Strategy and CRS Activity 330 guidelines, and was developed in coordination with the LMS Working Group and relevant stakeholders; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA THAT:

Section 1. The Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) 2025 Update and the Program for Public Information (PPI) 2025 Update, a copy of which are on file with City Clerk, are hereby adopted.

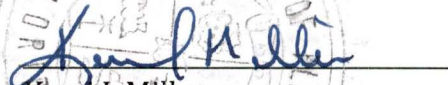
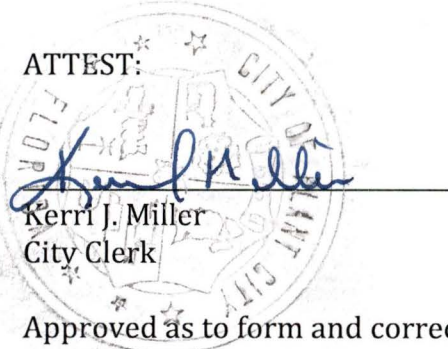
Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Adopted by the City Commission on August 11, 2025.



Nathan A. Kilton
Mayor-Commissioner

ATTEST:



Kerri J. Miller
City Clerk

Approved as to form and correctness:



Kenneth W. Buchman
City Attorney