

DEKALB COUNTY

ITEM
NO.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HEARING TYPE

Action

BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES

MEETING DATE: February 14, 2017

ACTION TYPE

Resolution

SUBJECT: Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

DEPARTMENT: DeKalb EMA

PUBLIC HEARING: YES NOATTACHMENT: YES NoINFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Loeffler
Deputy Director, DEMA

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Deferred 1/24/17

PURPOSE:

- To consider approving and adopting the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for DeKalb County; and
- To consider authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute any associated documents.

NEED/IMPACT:

DeKalb County is required to develop a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan regarding its vulnerability to natural and man-made hazards, and the actions needed to reduce or eliminate those risks. The plan is vital to the protection, health, safety, and welfare of its citizens as well as its visitors. The Plan outlines the community's options to reduce overall damage and impact from natural and technological hazards and it has been reviewed by county residents, business owners, state and local agencies, and has been revised to reflect their concerns.

In order for DeKalb County to receive mitigation funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), it must have a mitigation plan in place at the time of submitting a proposal. DeKalb County and its municipal governments are required to maintain a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan that fulfills the federal requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

RECOMMENDATION (S):

- To approve and adopt the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for DeKalb County; and
- To authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute any associated documents.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PURSUANT TO THE DISASTER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000
AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF THE
DEKALB COUNTY PRE-DISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, DeKalb County and its municipal governments are required to complete a Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, local governments that complete Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plans will remain eligible for Federal mitigation funding; and

WHEREAS, DeKalb County and its municipal governments have completed a Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan that fulfills the Federal requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT THE DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSION FORMALLY ADOPTS THIS PRE-DISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

RESOLVED THIS ___ DAY OF ___, 2017

(County Seal)

Signed: Larry Johnson
DeKalb County Commission Chairman

Attest: Michael L. Thurmond
DeKalb County Chief Executive Officer

Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

NATHAN DEAL
Governor



JIM BUTTERWORTH
Director

October 31, 2016

Mr. Lee May
Interim Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County
1300 Commerce Drive
6th Floor
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Dear Mr. May:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has completed its review of the DeKalb County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for compliance with the programmatic requirements of the Federal Hazard Mitigation Planning Standards contained in 44 CFR Section 201.6(b)-(d). FEMA has determined that the DeKalb County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update is compliant with Federal standards, subject to formal community adoption.

The county and each municipality must pass individual resolutions adopting the Plan. Please forward the adopted and signed resolutions to Laura Radford, Hazard Mitigation Planner, so that we may submit them to FEMA for inclusion in your plan for formal federal review and approval. Upon submittal of a copy of the participating jurisdictions' adoption documentation as well as documentation of the final public meeting, FEMA will issue formal approval of the DeKalb County Multi-jurisdictional Mitigation Plan. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Laura Radford, Hazard Mitigation Planner, at (404) 635-7517.

Sincerely,

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Terry K. Lunn
Hazard Mitigation Division Director

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cc: Sue Loeffler, Director

DeKalb County Emergency Management Agency
DeKalb County Municipalities
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FEMA

October 27, 2016

Mr. Terry Lunn
Director/State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency
Hazard Mitigation Division
P.O. Box 18055
Atlanta, Georgia 30316-0055

Reference: Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: DeKalb County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Lunn:

This is to confirm that we have completed a Federal review of the DeKalb County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for compliance with the Federal hazard mitigation planning requirements contained in 44 CFR 201.6(b)-(d). Based on our review and comments, we have determined that the DeKalb County Hazard Mitigation Plan is compliant with federal requirements, subject to formal community adoption.

In order for our office to issue formal approval of the plan, DeKalb County must submit adoption documentation and document that the final public meeting occurred. Upon submittal of these items to our office we will issue formal approval of the DeKalb County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact David Vandewater of the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch, at (229) 225-4875 or Linda L. Byers, of my staff, at (770) 220-5498.

Sincerely,

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Robert E. Lowe, Chief
Risk Analysis Branch
Mitigation Division