



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-R-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE 2021 SARASOTA COUNTY UNIFIED LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY, WITH THE NORTH PORT FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN ANNEX, AS THE FORMAL GUIDE FOR THE CITY OF NORTH PORT'S HAZARD MITIGATION AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of North Port is subject to hazards including severe weather, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods and wildfires, and faces potential damage to life, property, natural resources and the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy Work Group is open to participation from any and all interested parties and is comprised of staff from Sarasota County Government, the City of North Port, the City of Sarasota, the City of Venice, the Town of Longboat Key, Sarasota County School Board, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, and other community members; and

WHEREAS, the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy, and the North Port Floodplain Management Plan annex, represent the City of North Port's commitment to reduce vulnerability and risks from all hazards, and serves as a policy guide for reducing the effects of all hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy and the North Port Floodplain Management Plan annex are required of all communities participating in the Community Rating System program that provides flood insurance discounts through the National Flood Insurance Program; and

WHEREAS, initiatives identified, based upon established and accepted criteria, on the Unified Local Mitigation Strategy Project Lists are given greater consideration by State-managed funding programs, including but not limited to the Hazard Mitigation Grant program, the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program, the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program, the Florida Communities Trust, the Community Development Block Grant, and the Coastal Partnerships Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Division of Emergency Management has completed a State review of the Sarasota County Local Mitigation Strategy update for compliance with the federal hazard mitigation planning standards contained in 44 CFR 201.6(b)-(d), and approved the revisions; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to adopt the Sarasota County Local Mitigation Strategy and Plan as

a participating jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that this resolution serves the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – FINDINGS

1.01 The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in this resolution by reference.

SECTION 2 – ADOPTION

2.01 The City Commission for the City of North Port, Florida hereby adopts the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy, with the North Port Floodplain Management Plan Annex, as the formal guide for the City of North Port’s hazard mitigation and floodplain management activities.

2.02 The City Commission for the City of North Port, Florida hereby adopts the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Plan as the guiding document for mitigation efforts for the City of North Port, Florida.

SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution, in whole or in part, the provisions of this resolution will prevail to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

4.01 If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this resolution is for any reason invalid or unconstitutional, that provision will be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the resolution.

SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE

5.01 This resolution takes effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on February 23, 2021.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

GISELE “JILL” E. LUKE
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER TAYLOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

AMBER L. SLAYTON
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