

# City of North Port

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-R-06**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE SARASOTA COUNTY PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of North Port, Florida, is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System ("CRS"), a national program developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") to provide flood insurance premium reductions to participating communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the reductions in flood insurance premiums are based on a community's floodplain management programs, which include public information outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the 2018 CRS audit results, the City of North Port received a CRS rating of 6, which corresponds to a twenty percent (20%) flood insurance discount for structures within the Special Flood Hazard Area ("SFHA") and a ten percent (10%) flood insurance discount for structures outside of the SFHA; and

**WHEREAS**, Sarasota County initiated the Program for Public Information ("PPI"), a FEMA planning tool, to coordinate such outreach; and

**WHEREAS**, Sarasota County's PPI has a number of ongoing outreach efforts with goals to increase flood hazard awareness, encourage flood insurance coverage, protect people from the flood hazard, protect property, build responsibly, protect the natural functions of floodplains, encourage hurricane preparations, educate people about flood economics and inform people about how sea level rise will affect the community; and

WHEREAS, the Sarasota County Program for Public Information ("PPI") Committee is comprised of a cross-section of employees and community stakeholder members from Sarasota County Government, the City of Sarasota, the City of Venice, the City of North Port, the Town of Longboat Key, the Sarasota Bay Estuary Program, Mote Marine, and local business representatives such as Realtors, Insurance Agents, and Mortgage Lenders, is open for participation by all interested parties including private citizens, and is chaired by the Sarasota County Stormwater Department Director or designee; and

**WHEREAS**, by adopting Sarasota County's PPI, the City of North Port may achieve a CRS rating of 5, which will increase the City's flood insurance discount for structures within the SFHA to twenty-five percent (25%); and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida finds that it serves the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City to adopt Sarasota County's Program for Public Information.

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

## **SECTION 1 – INCORPORATION OF RECITALS**

1.01 The above recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### **SECTION 2 - RESOLUTION**

- 2.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the Sarasota County Program for Public Information.
- 2.02 The City Commission directs the City Manager to assign a coordinator on the Sarasota County Program for Public Information Committee.

# **SECTION 3 - CONFLICTS**

3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution or portions thereof, the provisions of this resolution shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

## **SECTION 4 - SEVERABILITY**

4.01 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

## **SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

5.01 This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida.

PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida this 23rd day of July 2019.

	THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA
	CHRISTOPHER HANKS MAYOR
ATTEST	
KATHRYN WONG CITY CLERK	
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS	
AMBER L. SLAYTON CITY ATTORNEY	