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Delta Police Department
Memorandum

To: Delta City Council, City Manager
From: Chief Robert Thomas
Date: February 9, 2010
Subject: Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council adopt the Delta County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Background

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is an agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security, initially created by Presidential Order April 1, 1979. The primary purpose of FEMA is to coordinate the response to a disaster that has occurred in the United States and that overwhelms the resources of local and state authorities. The governor of the state in which the disaster occurs must declare a state of emergency and formally request from the President that FEMA and the federal government respond to the disaster.

The United States Congress passed the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 emphasizing the need for pre and post disaster mitigation of potential hazards. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 made available hazard mitigation grants to state and local governments. An adopted Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple FEMA pre-post mitigation grant programs.

The Colorado Department of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region VIII officials have reviewed the "Delta County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan" and approved it.

Cost

None

Action to be Taken

Adopt the Delta County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as the City of Delta's official plan.

Suggested Motion

I move to adopt Resolution #2, 2010.

Resolution #2, 2010

ADOPTING THE DELTA COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD PLAN

Whereas, the City of Delta recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within our community; and

Whereas, undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

Whereas, the United States Congress passed the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (“Disaster Mitigation Act”) emphasizing the need for pre-disaster mitigation of potential hazards; and

Whereas, the Disaster Mitigation Act made available hazard mitigation grants to state and local governments; and

Whereas, an adopted Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre and post disaster mitigation grant programs; and

Whereas, Council fully participated in the FEMA-prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

Whereas, the Colorado Department of Emergency Management and the Federal emergency Management Agency Region VIII officials have reviewed the “Delta County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan” and approved it contingent upon this official adoption of the participating governing body; and

Whereas, the Council desires to comply with the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act and to augment its emergency planning efforts by formally adopting the Delta County Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

Whereas, adoption by the governing body for the City of Delta demonstrates the jurisdictions commitment to fulfilling the mitigation goals and objectives outlined in this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

Whereas, adoption of this resolution legitimizes the plan and authorizes agencies to carry out their responsibilities under the plan; and

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council adopt the “Delta County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan” as an official plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council submit this Adoption Resolution to the Colorado Department of Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency Region VIII officials to enable the plan's final approval.

Adopted this 16th day of February, 2010.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk