

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village
8/21/2018

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
Adoption of the 2018 DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan	Nan Newlon Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared for the adoption of the 2018 DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2017-2019 include *Exceptional Municipal Services*.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the August 21, 2018 consent agenda.

BACKGROUND

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (NHMP) is a comprehensive, long-term mitigation plan that identifies risks and vulnerabilities associated with natural disasters, and develops long-term strategies for protecting people and property from future hazard events. The purpose of the NHMP is to:

- Ensure DuPage County and its municipalities qualify for federal funding, before and after a disaster occurs;
- Identify common threats and hazards;
- Develop common mitigation strategies, ensuring a comprehensive and regional approach is used.
- Develop intergovernmental partnerships; and
- Gain public insight and share public information, increasing residents' knowledge and preparedness against threats and hazards.

FEMA mandates the adoption of a NHMP, and requires that it be updated every five years to be eligible for Hazard Mitigation grant funding. In addition, the Village will receive credit in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) for participation in the NHMP.

Over the past ten months, several NHMP Workgroup meetings were held at the DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Representatives from the Village attended and provided input on behalf of the Village. DuPage County adopted the updated NHMP on June 12, 2018 and the report can be found at this [link](#).

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A
NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Village of Downers Grove is subject to natural hazards, such as, floods, severe summer and winter storms, tornadoes and extreme heat events, and

WHEREAS, natural hazards can damage property, close businesses, disrupt traffic, threaten lives, and present public health and safety hazards; and

WHEREAS, the DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Workgroup has prepared a recommended *DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* that reviews the Village's options to protect people and reduce damage from the hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Village has participated in the development of the *DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the recommended *DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* has been presented for review by residents, and federal, state and regional agencies;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

1. The *DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Village.

2. The *DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* identifies a series of action items. The following action items are hereby assigned to the noted person or department of the Village. The designated person or department shall be responsible for the implementation of the action item, provided that resources are available, by the deadline listed in the Plan.

- Action Item 1: Establish Sub-Workgroups within the Mitigation Workgroup
- Action Item 2: Enhance Public Participation in Mitigation Workgroup
- Action Item 3: National Weather Service Storm Ready Participation
- Action Item 4: Critical Infrastructure Identification and Verification
- Action Item 5: Critical Facility Back-Up Generation Assessment
- Action Item 6: Adopt County-Wide Public Outreach Monthly Topics
- Action Item 7: Flood Control and Property Protection Projects
- Action Item 8: Improve Building Code Ratings

Action Item 9: Incorporate Mitigation Concepts into Future Planning
Action Item 10: Participate in Tree City USA
Action Item 11: Participate in Community Rating System (CRS) Program
Action Item 12: Participate and Support Floodplain Management Studies

3. That Naniel Newlon, Director of Public Works, is hereby appointed as the Village's representative on the DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Workgroup. The offices charged with implementation of action items in Section 2 shall keep the representative advised of their progress and recommendations.

4. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

5. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:

Attest: _____

Village Clerk