



City of Olathe

COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: 12/3/2019

DEPARTMENT: Fire

STAFF CONTACT: Jeff DeGraffenreid

SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution No. 19-1074 and promulgation of the Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration of Resolution No. 19-1074 and promulgation of the Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

SUMMARY:

As background, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) defines Mitigation as: "The effort to reduce loss of life and property by lessening the impact of disasters. Mitigation is taking action now-before the next disaster-to reduce human and financial consequences later (analyzing risk, reducing risk, insuring against risk). Effective mitigation requires that we all understand local risks, address the hard choices, and invest in long-term community well-being. Without mitigation actions, we jeopardize our safety, financial security, and self-reliance." Hazard mitigation planning is the process through which hazards that threaten communities are identified, impacts of those hazards are determined, mitigation goals and strategies are determined, and actions are prioritized and implemented. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all political entities in the United States to have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible to receive hazard mitigation funds following a disaster - should funding become available. This is the regular update to the previously approved 2014 plan.

The Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for our region documents the City's hazard mitigation planning process and identifies relevant hazards, vulnerabilities, and strategies that the region and participating jurisdictions can use to decrease vulnerability and increase resiliency and sustainability. Over the course of 2018 & 2019, Fire Department staff worked with local partners, Johnson County, Wyandotte County, Leavenworth County, many municipal governments and the Kansas Division of Emergency Management to develop the Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan was approved by FEMA on October 3rd, 2019 and adopted by the Johnson County BOCC on November 7th, 2019 under Resolution No. 059-19.

The entire plan is a very large document and is available for viewing at

[Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan <http://www.jocogov.org/dept/emergency-management/emergency-management-program/county-emergency-plans/mitigation-plan>](http://www.jocogov.org/dept/emergency-management/emergency-management-program/county-emergency-plans/mitigation-plan).

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan will allow the City of Olathe to participate in FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance, Pre-Disaster Mitigation, and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs.

ACTION NEEDED:

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Approval of Resolution No. 19-1074 to adopt the Johnson County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

ATTACHMENT(S): Attachment A: Region L Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Attachment B:
Resolution No. 19-1074