



Internal Memo

February 27, 2020

To: Mark Meyers, City Administrator
From: Robert Gagnon, Fire Chief
Subject: Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption

In October of 2015, Muskegon County adopted their updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. Following adoption of the plan, it is normally forwarded to local governments for public hearings and adoption, as desired, to qualify them for pre and post disaster hazard mitigation assistance. Unfortunately, due to unknown reasons, the plan was never forwarded to Norton Shores for adoption. Therefore, I am recommending that City Council consider adopting the 2015 Muskegon County Hazard Mitigation Plan at an upcoming City Council Meeting.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan is not attached, however, if City Council would like to review the plan we can arrange a time for a review to occur on an individual basis.

I will be available to discuss this further if needed.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Muskegon County, Michigan has experienced repetitive disasters that have damaged commercial, residential and public properties, displaced citizens and businesses, closed streets and bridges dividing the community both physically and emotionally, and presented general public health and safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, the community has prepared a **Hazard Mitigation Plan** that outlines the community's options to reduce overall damage and impact from natural and technological hazards; and

WHEREAS, the **Hazard Mitigation Plan** has been reviewed by community residents, business owners, and federal, state and local agencies, and has been revised to reflect their concerns;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The **Hazard Mitigation Plan** is hereby adopted as an official plan of the City of Norton Shores.
2. The Muskegon County Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) is hereby established as a permanent community advisory body whose members are subject to the approval of the Michigan State Police. The group's duties shall be as designated in the **Hazard Mitigation Plan**.
3. The Muskegon County Emergency Services Director, Assistant Director, or designee, is charged with supervising the implementation of the Plan's recommendations within the funding limitations as provided by the County of Muskegon or other sources.
4. The Muskegon County Emergency Services Director, Assistant Director, or designee, shall give priority attention to Potential Hazard Mitigation Actions recommended by the **Hazard Mitigation Plan**.
5. The Muskegon County Emergency Services Director shall convene the LEPC quarterly. The LEPC shall monitor implementation of the plan and shall submit a written progress report to Muskegon County in accordance with the following format:
 - a. A review of the original plan.
 - b. A review of any disasters or emergencies that occurred during the previous calendar year.
 - c. A review of the actions taken, including what was accomplished during the previous year.
 - d. A discussion of any implementation problems.
 - e. Recommendations for new projects or revised action items. Such recommendations shall be subject to approval by the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners.

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Norton Shores, held at the Norton Shores Branch Library, 705 Seminole Road, on the 17th day of March, 2020, the foregoing resolution was moved for adoption by Council Member _____. The motion was supported by Council Member _____.

Ayes:

Nays:

Resolution declared.

Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk