

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Resolution to Adopt Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

DATE OF MEETING: September 13, 2016

BUDGET IMPACT: None

FUNDING SOURCE

Annual

Capital

N/A

Regular Meeting (X)

Work Session (X)

Recommendation ()

Policy/Discussion ()

Report ()

Other ()

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Resolution to Adopt Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: In 2005, the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners adopted the Multi Jurisdictional Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan which was officially approved by GEMA in February 2006. In accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, this plan must be updated every 5 years. The first required update of the plan was approved in February 2012. In October 2015 Lowndes County was awarded grant funding to assist with the costs to hire a contractor to facilitate the next regularly scheduled plan update. Lowndes County subsequently contracted with the Southern Georgia Regional Commission to complete the update process. The Southern Georgia Regional Commission, in conjunction with Lowndes County Emergency Management, coordinated the process which involved representatives from County and City departments as well as other nongovernmental stakeholders to develop the Lowndes County Multi Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. As part of the process, two separate public meetings were held to solicit input from the general public and a draft version of the plan has been submitted to GEMA for preliminary approval. Each of the member governments within Lowndes County will be asked to adopt a resolution which will formally adopt the plan and allow them to remain eligible for future mitigation grant funding and disaster assistance.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution to adopt the update to the Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

2. Board's pleasure.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option 1

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

Department Head: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION:


County Manager

Action Taken By Board: _____