

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE UPDATED
COOK COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, all of Cook County ("Cook County") has exposure to natural hazards that increase the risk to life, property, environment and Cook County's economy; and

WHEREAS, pro-active mitigation of known hazards before a disaster event can reduce or eliminate long-term risks to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 ("Act") established new Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") requirements for pre- and post-disaster hazard mitigation programs; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of future funding ("Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant") for mitigation projects, the Act requires jurisdictions to prepare and adopt a hazard mitigation plan to identify and address certain vulnerabilities that exist prior to and during a disaster; and

WHEREAS, FEMA supports post-disaster grant funding through the Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant program, which has as a condition of funding eligibility, a requirement for jurisdictions to prepare and adopt a hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, to maintain continued eligibility for FEMA mitigation grant assistance programs the Act requires a hazard mitigation plan be updated every five years; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Act's requirement, a coalition of Cook County, Cities, Villages and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago with like planning objectives has been formed and engaged in the FEMA-prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare the 2019 Plan and its associated local hazard mitigation plan annexes and to pool resources and create consistent mitigation strategies within Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the coalition has completed a planning process that engages the public, assesses the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of natural hazards, develops a mitigation strategy consistent with a set of uniform goals and objectives and creates a plan for implementing, evaluating and revising this strategy; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Plan has been approved by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region V.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The corporate authorities of the Village hereby adopt, in its entirety, the updated Volume 1, the Countywide Mitigation Actions in Volume 2; and the Village of Westchester Jurisdictional Annex of Volume 2 of the 2019 Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP).

Section 2. The Village of Westchester will continue to participate in the updating and revision of the 2019 Plan with another plan review and revision to occur within a five year cycle, and designated staff will provide annual progress reports on the status of implementation of the 2019 Plan to the President of the Village Board.

Section 3. The corporate authorities of the Village will use the adopted and approved portions of the HMP to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the hazards identified.

Section 4. The corporate authorities of the Village will coordinate the strategies identified in the HMP with other planning programs and mechanisms under its jurisdictional authority.

Section 5. The corporate authorities of the Village will continue its support of the Steering Committee and continue to participate in the Planning Partnership as described by the HMP.

Section 6. The corporate authorities of the Village will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all HMP Planning Partners.

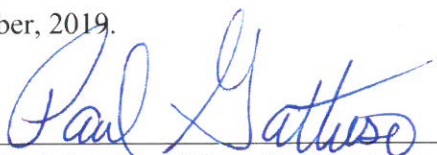
ADOPTED this 12th day of November, 2019, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

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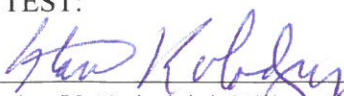
Sherby J. Miller _____
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Nick Steker _____

President Gattuso _____

APPROVED this 12th day of November, 2019.


Paul Gattuso, Village President

ATTEST:


Stanley V. Kolodziej, Village Clerk