

CITY OF KENAI

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENAI, ALASKA, ADOPTING THE CITY OF KENAI HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai recognizes the threat from natural disasters posed to residents and property; and,

WHEREAS, undertaking mitigation projects before natural disasters occur is intended to reduce the potential for harm to residents and property and save taxpayer dollars; and,

WHEREAS, an adopted Local Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance, including funding for mitigation projects; and,

WHEREAS, it has been more than five years since the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan was adopted and jurisdictions must update their Hazard Mitigation Plans every five years to maintain eligibility for certain types of funding; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency pending local adoption; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan was developed through a public process; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the City of Kenai from the impacts of future natural disasters; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai Planning and Zoning Commission recommended adoption of the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan at their meeting on January 22, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENAI, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the City of Kenai adopts the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan as attached hereto.

Section 2. That the City of Kenai will submit the adopted City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for final review and approval.

Section 3. That the adopted City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan will be submitted to the Kenai Peninsula Borough to become an annex to the Kenai Peninsula Borough Hazard Mitigation Plan once final approval is received.

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Section 4. That this resolution take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENAI, ALASKA, this 5th day of February, 2020.

BRIAN GABRIEL SR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jamie Heinz, CMC, City Clerk



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Brian Gabriel and Kenai City Council

THROUGH: Paul Ostrander, City Manager

FROM: Elizabeth Appleby, City Planner

DATE: January 28, 2020

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2020-04 – Adopting the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation

Plan

The City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pending local adoption. Resolution No. PZ2020-04 would formally adopt the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Included in the packet is the updated draft City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan after considering comments made by City Councilmembers, Planning and Zoning Commissioners, City Administration, and members of the general public. The Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies and screens changes in the cryosphere, earthquakes, floods/erosion, volcanic ashfall, severe weather, and wild/conflagration fires. The mitigation strategy designates erosion as the top priority hazard, followed by wildland fire and earthquakes.

Also included in the packet is a copy of Resolution No. PZ2020-02. The Planning and Zoning Commission passed Resolution No. PZ2020-02 at their meeting on January 22, 2020 recommending the Kenai City Council adopt the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

If the Kenai City Council passes Resolution No. PZ2020-04, the State of Alaska would be notified and a request would be made for final approval of the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan. Once final approval is received, the City would request the Kenai Peninsula Borough add the City of Kenai's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan as an annex to the Kenai Peninsula Borough Hazard Mitigation Plan. The City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan would then next be updated in 2025 (after five years have passed).

Thank you for your consideration.





CITY OF KENAI PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. PZ2020 – 02

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KENAI RECOMMENDING THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENAI ADOPT THE CITY OF KENAI HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai recognizes the threat from natural disasters posed to residents and property; and,

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation projects before disasters occur will reduce the potential for harm to residents and property and save taxpayer dollars; and,

WHEREAS, an adopted Local Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Kenai Local Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved pending local adoption by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KENAI, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the Kenai City Council enact a resolution adopting the City of Kenai Hazard Mitigation Plan at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 2. That a copy of Resolution PZ2020-02 be forwarded to the Kenai City Council.

PASSED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KENAI, ALASKA, this 22nd day of January 22, 2020.

JEFF TWAIT, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

JAME HEINZ, CMC, CITY CLERK