



## Legislation Text

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### Resolution to Approve City of Ann Arbor 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that communities adopt a Hazard Mitigation Plan as a condition of continued funding eligibility and that the adopted plan be updated periodically.

The value of a Hazard Mitigation Plan is in reducing future emergencies and events by identifying potential hazards to the Ann Arbor community, analyzing areas particularly vulnerable to hazards and developing mitigation goals and strategies that may be incorporated into the City's Master Plan, and other plans, as applicable.

In 2004, with the review and support of the City's Environmental Commission and Planning Commission, the City adopted a City Hazard Mitigation Plan. The 2012 revision to the plan includes updating of GIS Mapping, previous incident data and other hazard assessment information and strategies, where necessary.

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Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is committed to the mitigation of potential hazards and the protection of the public health, and the reduction of property damage and loss of life that can result from hazardous events;

Whereas, The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that communities have an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan as a requirement to receive funding under certain FEMA programs;

Whereas, In 2004, the City prepared and adopted a City Hazard Mitigation Plan (R-471-11-04) in coordination with Washtenaw County's preparation of a County-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor Hazard Mitigation Plan outlining mitigation strategies which are required under FEMA requirements to be periodically assessed and revised recognizing the physical development of the community, susceptibility to natural, technological and societal hazards and updating strategies for addressing these hazards;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is required for grant compliance to approve the 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan to make the City eligible for future grants to implement the recommendations of the plan, if and when funds become available; and

Whereas, The Office of Emergency Management, working with the Michigan Department of State Police, Emergency Management Division, has identified and prepared the 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan, including the updating of GIS Mapping, previous incident data and other hazard assessment information and strategies, where necessary.

RESOLVED, That City Council approve the City of Ann Arbor 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

RESOLVED, That Office of Emergency Management will be responsible for ensuring that the mitigation strategies in the City 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan are implemented, with the understanding that implementation is based on the availability of funding and staff resources.