



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

## **RESOLUTION 20-228**

### **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MONMOUTH COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Highlands, NJ, has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damages to private and public property; and

**WHEREAS**, the hazard mitigation planning process set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offer the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risks; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management has provided federal mitigation funds to support development of an updated mitigation plan; and

**WHEREAS**, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by the County Office of Emergency Management and Mitigation Planning Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property; and

**WHEREAS**, the draft plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction through a website hosted by Michael Baker International, the contracted vendor assisting with the planning process. Links were also posted on the Emergency Management and Division of Planning websites so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments and to present the Plan and request comments, as required by law; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highlands as follows:

1. The Monmouth County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted on June 23, 2020 by the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency and subsequently approved by both agencies on August 27, 2020, be and is hereby adopted as an official plan of the County or

Monmouth; with the required yearly updates and minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.

2. The Borough of Highland's departments identified in the Plan are hereby directed to further pursue potential or suggested implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.

3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Borough of Highlands, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriation.

4. The Borough of Highlands Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date agree upon by all stakeholders.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward a certified true copy of this resolution to the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, the Borough of Highlands Emergency Management Coordinator and all Borough Departments referenced in the Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
BRASWELL			X			
MAZZOLA			X			
RYAN	X		X			
VALKOS		X	X			
BROULLON			X			

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This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

DATE OF VOTE: October 21, 2020



Michelle Hutchinson, Acting Municipal Clerk