NOTES

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM:

Ann E. Wall City Manager

DATE:

February 12, 2020

SUBJECT:

Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

- 1. A memo from Thomas Barnett, Director of Planning and Development Services, regarding Community Ratings System Annual Progress Report for 2019
- 2. Minutes from the Redevelopment Commission meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2019

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Attachments



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To:

Ann Wall, City Manager

From: The

Thomas Barnett, Director of Planning and Development Services

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Date:

February 3, 2020

Subject: Community Ratings System (CRS) Annual Progress Report for 2019

On June 11, 2015, the City Council passed a resolution to adopt the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Plan (RHMP) which was required in order to for the City to be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting the City. On June 22, 2015, FEMA adopted this plan. A Community Ratings System (CRS) Annual Progress Report is required to insure that the RHMP is in compliance with federal and state regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the Plan are developed and presented to the City Council for consideration. The CRS program is part of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which allows property owners in NFIP participating communities to purchase flood insurance. The CRS credits community efforts beyond minimum standards by reducing flood insurance rates. The RHMP is a regional hazard plan that covers Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Lenoir and Jones Counties and all municipalities located in those counties.

All of the Action Items related to the City have been accomplished. The current plan has a CRS expiration date of June 22, 2020.

Attachments: Resolution

CRS Annual Progress Report for 2019

cc:

Ken A. Graves, Assistant City Manager

Les Everett, Assistance Director of Planning and Development Services

Chantae Gooby, Chief Planner

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RESOLUTION NO. 032-15 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA ADOPTING THE NEUSE RIVER BASIN REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the citizens and property within Pitt County, including the citizens and property within the city of Greenville, are subject to the effects of natural hazards and man-made hazard events that pose threats to lives and cause damage to property, and with the knowledge and experience that certain areas of Pitt County and the city of Greenville are particularly vulnerable to flooding, high winds, and severe winter weather; and

WHEREAS, Pitt County and participating municipal jurisdictions, including the City of Greenville, desire to seek ways to mitigate the impact of identified hazard risks;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly has in Part 6, Article 21 of Chapter 143, Parts 3, 5, and 8 of Article 19 of Chapter 160A, and Article 8 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes, delegated to local governmental units the responsibility to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly has in North Carolina General Statute 166A-19.41(b)(2)a.3. stated that: "For a state of emergency declared pursuant to G.S. 166A-19.20(a) after the deadline established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2002, P.L. 106-390, the eligible entity shall have a hazard mitigation plan approved pursuant to the Stafford Act";

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 states that local governments must develop an All-Hazards Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible to receive future Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds and other disaster-related assistance funding and that said Plan must be updated and adopted within a five-year cycle;

WHEREAS, Pitt County and its participating municipal jurisdictions, including the City of Greenville, have performed a comprehensive review and evaluation of each section of the previously approved Hazard Mitigation Plan and have updated the said plan as required under regulations at 44 CFR Part 201 and according to guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Pitt County Board of Commissioners to fulfill this obligation in order that the county will be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting Pitt County;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Greenville to fulfill this obligation in order that the City of Greenville will be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting the City of Greenville; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville actively participated in the planning process of the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and has fulfilled all of its part of the multi-jurisdictional planning elements required by FEMA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Greenville as follows:

- Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby adopt the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Section 2. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby separately adopt the sections of the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan that are specific to the City of Greenville.
- Section 3. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby repeal the City of Greenville 2010 Hazard Mitigation Plan adopted on June 10, 2010, by Resolution Number 10-44.
- Section 4. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby vest the Director of Community Development or his designee with the responsibility, authority, and the means to:
 - (a) Inform all concerned parties of this action; and
 - (b) Cooperate with Federal, State and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify floodplain or flood-related erosion areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining floodplain and/or flood-related erosion areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.
- Section 5. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby appoint the Director of Community Development or his designee to assure that, in cooperation with Pitt County, the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan is reviewed annually and every five years as specified in the Plan to assure that the Plan is in compliance with all State and Federal regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the Plan are developed and presented to the City of Greenville City Council for consideration.
- Section 6. That the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby agree to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
 - Section 7. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 11th day of June, 2015.

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Allen M. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

CRS Activity 510

Progress Report

Date this Report was Prepared: January 8, 2020

Name of Community:

City of Greenville, North Carolina

Name of Plan:

Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

(RHMP)

Date of Adoption of Plan:

June 11, 2015: Adopted by Greenville City Council

June 22, 2015: FEMA approved

5 Year CRS Expiration Date:

June 22, 2020.

How can a copy of the original plan or area analysis report be obtained:

A digital copy is available at the following website address:

https://www.greenvillenc.gov/government/planning-and-development-services/plansmaps-and-applications

2. Describe how this evaluation report was prepared and how it was submitted to the governing body, released to the media, and made available to the public:

The RHMP as prepared by the Regional Mitigation Advisory Committee (MAC) and led by Pitt County and project consultants. In April 2012, Pitt County applied for and, in 2013, received a Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program grant through the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management for the Neuse River Basin Region. Pitt County served as the lead agency in the management of the grant. Using the PDM grant, in late 2013, Pitt County procured the services of Holland Consulting Planners, Inc., (HCP) of Wilmington, North Carolina, to assist in the development of a comprehensive Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for the five-county region. The MAC was charged with developing the overall document and establishing regional strategies. Three staff members of the City of Greenville served on the MAC. As a participating MAC member, the City of Greenville was charged with addressing the needs of the city and was responsible for reviewing the draft and identifying any gaps, errors, and/or omissions.

The RHMP was submitted to governing body of the Greenville City Council during an advertised public hearing on June 11, 2015 at which time the City Council adopted the plan by ordinance.

The plan was released to the media through newspaper advertisement of the draft which was posted on the City of Greenville website. Since FEMA approved the plan, the approved plan was posted on the City of Greenville website at the following address. Printed copies of the plan were also provided to the City of Greenville's Public Information Officer and Public Works Director.

The plan was made available to the public on the City of Greenville website at the following address:

https://www.greenvillenc.gov/government/planning-and-development-services/plans-maps-and-applications

This progress report was sent for review to the City Council as a part of "Notes To Council" which are published on the City's website and are available for viewing my by the public and the media.

Notes to Council can be viewed on the City of Greenville website at the following address:

https://www.greenvillenc.gov/government/city-manager-s-office/notes-to-council/folder-851

3. Provide a review of each recommendation or action item in the action plan or area analysis report, including a statement on how much was accomplished during the previous year:

Following is a review of recommendations or action items from the report (Ref. RHMP, pages 6-28 and 29, action item numbers P29 through 32) including statements of how much was accomplished during the previous year.

Action Item P28. The City of Greenville will continue to update the City's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), provide more strategies for City operations following a disaster, and ensure that the EOP is aligned with the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Statement of Accomplishment of Action Item P28. The City of Greenville maintains an independent Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) that operates in concert with Pitt County Emergency Management. This plan is reviewed and updated on an annual

basis. These efforts also include coordination and assistance in implementing the County's Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).

Action Item P29. The City of Greenville will revise the development standards in the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance so that new single-family residential development (not just multi-family) must be elevated two (2) feet above base flood elevation, making the standards consistent with Pitt County standards.

Statement of Accomplishment of Action Item P29. The City Council amended the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance at their May 8th, 2014 meeting establishing a two (2) foot minimum a freeboard requirement for all new structures.

Action Item P30. The City of Greenville will avoid subdivision development that is dependent on one or few streets that are susceptible to flooding. The City's subdivision ordinance currently requires single- family residential subdivisions with 30+ units to provide two or more access points; the City will consider requiring multi-family subdivisions to also provide two or more access points.

<u>Statement of Accomplishment of Action Item P30</u>. The City of Greenville takes a proactive stance toward floodplain management. These efforts are intended to include modifications to the City's land use controls, including regulations enabling cluster subdivisions.

Action Item P31. The City of Greenville will strengthen the City's existing stormwater control ordinances to require new residential development to provide 10-year flood ponds, instead of 1-year flood ponds. The City will ensure that development complies with all stormwater regulations.

Statement of Accomplishment of Action Item P31. The City Council amended the Stormwater Management and Control Ordinance at their October 10th, 2013 meeting requiring attenuation to the one-year, five-year and ten-year, 24 hour storm event and in areas of special risk attenuation is required for a 25-year, 24 hour storm event. The amendment became effect on April 10, 2014.

Action Item P32. The City of Greenville will continue to establish a flood recovery center (FRC) when needed to address post disaster issues. The City will utilize existing staff and create temporary positions for the FRC.

Statement of Accomplishment of Action Item P32.

No flooding event has taken place requiring the opening of a flood recover center since the adoption of the Neuse River Basin Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

4. Discuss why any objectives were not reached or why implementation is behind schedule:

All objections have been complete.

5. What are the recommendations for new projects or revised recommendations?

The plan is under revision slated for approval before June 2020. The new plan will have new projects, goals and objectives.

Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 7, 2019 Greenville, North Carolina

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I.	Welcome			
II.	Roll Call			
III.	Approval of meeting minutes from February 5, 2019 and March 7, 2019			

Motion was made by Ms. Connors and seconded by Mr. Hatoum to approve the meeting minutes for February 5, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Hatoum and seconded by Mr. Jacobs to approve the meeting minutes for March 7, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Conveyance of two Redevelopment Commission-owned properties to the City of Greenville

Mr. Graves introduced Mr. Charles Hayes, Consultant for the Office of Economic Development.

The Redevelopment Commission is currently in possession of two lots on Evans Street, commonly referred to as the Hammock Lot. In 2009/2010, the owners of the structure residing on these lots, had the building demolished. In 2011, RDC purchased the property for redevelopment as office use. Since then, the parking deck has been constructed behind it, and the property is being used as ingress/regress. One parcel is 2,100 square

feet, and lot two is about 6,000 square feet. Some of the development inquiries have included outdoor dining opportunities, or mixed use building. The City wants to make this property shovel ready. Staff is requesting the Redevelopment Commission to adopt a resolution conveying this property to the City. Statute supporting this resolution is 160A-274A.

Motion was made by Mr. Hatoum and seconded by Mr. Tanski to convey the property located at Evans Street to the City of Greenville. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Small Business Plan Competition Winner's Presentations M Pourium, LLC, Molly's Community Cafe

Ms. Wagner congratulated the winners of the Small Business Plan Competition, M Pourium, LLC and Molly's Community Cafe.

Mr. Andrew Moss presented for M Pourium, LLC. He gave an overview of the origins of M Pourium. The idea for the business started about one year ago which included 52 self-serve craft beers on tap and a wine shop. They opened for business last weekend and feel there has been a lot of support from the Dickinson Avenue community.

Mr. Howard stated that the work sure was fast. Last week it was just a gutted building.

Ms. Molly Cashion represented Molly's Community Café. The café is still under construction. Anticipated opening date is about June or July. They have had an issue with the food vent, but caught it early so it should be corrected soon. The café will be open seven days a week for breakfast and lunch. Tea will be served in the evenings. Fridays will be pancakes for students, and Sundays will be karaoke with beer and wine selections.

All the commission members offered both businesses congratulations.

VI. A Time for Science Update

Mr. Graves gave an update for A Time for Science, located on Dickinson Avenue. The City leases the property to the organization. They are currently supported by various grants, and other fundraising activities. They have been a major asset to the community.

Ms. Wagner stated that the success of A Time for Science will alleviate prior issues with the former tenant.

Mr. Graves stated that we will see more art opportunities in the future.

VII. Uptown Theatre Update

Mr. Graves stated that the state theatre has received their c/o for business. All of their breach of contract fees have been paid. The theatre is up and running and is deemed a valuable asset to the community.

Ms. Connors asked if are they were operating at full capacity.

Mr. Graves responded yes, initially they had a limited occupancy, but now they are at full capacity.

VIII. Commission Members Comment Period

Mr. Thomas asked if RDC is relieved of its responsibilities with the state theatre since it is at full capacity.

Mr. Graves stated that based on funding they received; the City will continue to monitor their progress. The RDC has completed its role for the theater.

Mr. Graves introduced the four City Manager's Office interns.

IX. Public Comment Period

No comments were received.

X. Adjournment

Motion was made by Mr. Hatoum and seconded by Ms. Connors to adjourn the Redevelopment Commission at 5:50 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Ken A. Graves, Assistant City Manager