



# Agenda Item

## Orange City Council

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THRU:** Jarad Hildenbrand, City Manager

**FROM:** Alan Velasco, Fire Chief

### 1. SUBJECT

Adoption of the 2025 City of Orange Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

### 2. SUMMARY

The City of Orange has completed an update to its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, consistent with federal requirements under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. The Local Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies hazards, vulnerabilities, and mitigation strategies to reduce long-term risk to people, property, and critical infrastructure.

The Plan has been submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and is currently pending approval. Adoption of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan at this time allows the City to maintain eligibility for federal hazard mitigation grant funding. The Resolution includes Federal Emergency Management Agency-required language allowing for adoption prior to final approval, with the understanding that any required revisions will not necessitate re-adoption.

### 3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 11666. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange adopting the 2025 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

### 4. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

### 5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Maintain Strong Emergency and Safety Services

Objective 1.12: Update the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to enhance emergency management planning capabilities

### 6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires local jurisdictions to adopt a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-approved hazard mitigation plan to remain eligible for federal mitigation funding. The City of Orange's 2025 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) is a comprehensive update to the prior plan and was developed in coordination with City departments, stakeholders, and the public.

The LHMP includes:

- A hazard identification and risk assessment
- Vulnerability analysis of City assets and populations
- Mitigation goals and actions
- Integration with the City's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and General Plan Safety Element

The Plan has been submitted to FEMA and is currently under review. FEMA allows jurisdictions to adopt plans prior to final approval, provided the resolution includes language acknowledging that revisions may be required. This ensures there is no lapse in grant eligibility.

Upon FEMA approval, the LHMP will become effective for a five-year period. Any future updates will require separate Council adoption.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

- Resolution No. 11666
- 2025 City of Orange Local Hazard Mitigation Plan