



MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

From: Rafael G. Casals, Town Manager

Date: June 17, 2015

Re: Resolution Adopting the 2015 Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy and Inclusion of Town Identified “Mitigation” Projects

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE 2015 MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO IDENTIFY AND PRIORITIZE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM PROJECTS TO BECOME A PART OF THE LOCAL AND STATEWIDE HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

In 1998, the State of Florida contracted with and provided funding to each of the counties within the State to develop a Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS). Shortly thereafter, a Working Group was developed, in order to identify a variety of mitigation related projects throughout Miami-Dade County and all of the incorporated municipalities, at that time. Several projects were identified within the Town’s municipal boundaries which were included in the unincorporated county-wide project listing. One of the mitigation projects was the widening and dredging of the Caribbean Blvd. Bridge. Additional, Town staff submits yearly Mitigation Project updates to the LMS Working Group.

The Town has completed the Stormwater Master Plan which has identified several flooding related projects that can be included in the County’s 2015 LMS. Once the Town identified projects are formally included in the County’s LMS plan, grant funding will become available both from the State of Florida and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Town Council approve the attached resolution adopting the 2015 Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy and authorizing the Town Manager to include Town-wide “Mitigation” projects, on a yearly basis.