RESOLUTION NO. 2025-131 CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE 2025 LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY (LMS) FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, AS THE CITY'S OFFICIAL GUIDING DOCUMENT FOR HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Columbia County is subject to natural and man-made hazards, such as floods, hurricanes, sinkholes, wildfires, and the release of hazardous materials, as well as any other manmade or natural hazard and these hazards affect the health and property of the citizens and visitors to Columbia County as well as its economic viability; and

WHEREAS, disasters also impact local government when community infrastructure such as roads, water systems and wastewater treatment plants are subject to damage and costly repair; and

WHEREAS, hazard mitigation consists of actions, such as structural enhancements, planning, code enforcement, and responsible development, taken to permanently reduce or eliminate the long-term risks to people and property from the effects of hazards; and

WHEREAS, a "Local Mitigation Strategy" ("LMS") can minimize the effects of hazards by the following actions:

- 1. Identifying hazards to which the City of Lake City is vulnerable;
- 2. Determining where the county is vulnerable to these hazards;
- 3. Assessing facilities and structures that are vulnerable to hazards;
- 4. Preparing a prioritized list of mitigation projects;
- 5. Identifying sources of funding; and
- 6. Making hazard awareness a community goal.

WHEREAS, Columbia County and the City of Lake City participate in the development and maintenance of the LMS applicable to both Columbia County and the City of Lake City; and

WHEREAS, the LMS was most recently updated by the Columbia County LMS Working Group; and

WHEREAS, adopting the LMS in the form of the Exhibit attached hereto is in the public interest and in the interests of the City; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida:

1. Adopting the Local Mitigation Strategy is in the public or community interest and for public

welfare; and

- 2. In furtherance thereof, the Local Mitigation Strategy in the form of the Exhibit attached hereto should be and is approved by the City Council of the City of Lake City; and
- 3. The City Clerk of the City of Lake City is authorized and directed to communicate to the County Manager of Columbia County the approval of the LMS as set forth herein; and
- 4. All prior resolutions of the City Council of the City of Lake City in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict; and
- 5. This resolution shall become effective and enforceable upon final passage by the City Council of the City of Lake City.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, by an affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum present of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, at a regular meeting, this day of September, 2025

| Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, at a regular meeting, this day of September, 2025 | |
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| | BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA |
| | Noah E. Walker, Mayor |
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| ATTEST, BY THE CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL | |
| OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA: | |
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| Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk | |
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| APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY: | |
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| Clay Martin, City Attorney | |