

RESOLUTION 2025-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE 2025 HARDEE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY UPDATE.

WHEREAS, areas of Hardee County, including the City of Wauchula are vulnerable to the human and economic costs of natural, technological, and societal disasters; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Wauchula realizes the importance of reducing or eliminating those vulnerabilities for the overall public health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, a Local Mitigation Strategy presents a unified strategy to build a disaster-resilient community; and

WHEREAS, State, local and tribal governments are required by Federal law (Title 42, Part 68 of the United States Code and Title 44, Part 201 of the Code of Federal Regulations) to adopt a hazard-mitigation plan as a condition for receiving certain types of emergency or nonemergency disaster assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires each local jurisdiction to have either its own local mitigation strategy or to actively participate in the development and maintenance of multi-jurisdictional mitigation strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauchula actively participated in the development and maintenance of the Hardee County Local Mitigation Strategy as adopted in 1999, 2015, and 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauchula has actively participated in the 2025 update to the Local Mitigation Strategy through the Hardee County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group, which has established a comprehensive, coordinated planning process to eliminate or decrease these vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauchula representatives and staff have identified, justified, and prioritized proposed projects and programs needed to mitigate the vulnerabilities of the City of Wauchula to the impacts of future disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Hardee County 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional LMS incorporates these proposed projects and programs into the update that has been prepared and issued for consideration and adoption by the jurisdictions of Hardee County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management has issued an "Approval Pending Adoption" of the Hardee County 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional Local Mitigation Strategy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Commission of the City of Wauchula:

1. The City Commission of the City of Wauchula hereby accepts and adopts its designated portion of the "Hardee County 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional LMS".

2. Agency personnel of the City of Wauchula shall pursue available funding opportunities for implementation of the proposals and projects designated therein.

3. Agencies and organizations within the City of Wauchula will, upon receipt of such funding or other necessary resources, seek to implement proposals contained in the LMS.

4. The City of Wauchula will continue to participate in the updating and expanding of the LMS in future years.

5. The City of Wauchula will encourage businesses, industries, and community groups operating within Hardee County to also participate in updating and expansion of the LMS in the years ahead.

6. The City of Wauchula will continue to participate in the furtherance of public involvement opportunities.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the City Commission of the City of Wauchula, Florida, at a regular meeting, this 14th day of July, 2025.

CITY OF WAUCHULA

By: _____
Richard K. Nadaskay, Mayor

ATTEST WITH SEAL:

Stephanie Camacho, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kristie Hatcher-Bolin, City Attorney