

ORLANDO UTILITIES COMMISSION

**RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN
ORANGE COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY PLANNING AND OSCEOLA
COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY PLANNING**

Adopted on December 13th, 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE ORLANDO UTILITIES PURSUING PARTICIPATION IN THE ORANGE COUNTY FLORIDA LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY AND OSCEOLA COUNTY FLORIDA LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY; AUTHORIZING OUC STAFF TO PURSUE AVAILABLE FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER EITHER OR BOTH PLANS; AUTHORIZING OUC STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY UPDATING AND EXPANSION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY AND OSCEOLA COUNTY FLORIDA LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY TO ASSURE INCLUSION OF OUC PROJECTS WITHIN SUCH PLANS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the areas within the service territory of the Orlando Utilities Commission are vulnerable to the human and economic costs of natural, technological and societal disasters; and

WHEREAS, OUC recognizes the importance of reducing or eliminating those vulnerabilities for the overall good and welfare of its customers; and

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5165, as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 provides for States, local governments and utilities to undertake a risk-based approach to reducing risks to natural hazards through mitigation planning; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has implemented various hazard mitigation planning provisions through regulation at 44.CFR 201.6 requiring local governments to have a FEMA approved Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) in order to apply for and/or receive project grants; and

WHEREAS, 44 CFR 201.6(d)(3) requires local jurisdictions to review and revise their LMS to reflect changes in development, progress in local mitigation efforts, and changes in priorities, and resubmit it for approval within five (5) years in order to continue to be eligible for mitigation project grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the Orlando Utilities Commission have identified and prioritized a number of proposed projects and programs needed to mitigate the vulnerabilities to the impacts of future disasters on its energy and water systems; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando Utilities Commission desires to have one or more of these proposed projects and programs be incorporated into the next edition of the Orange County Local Mitigation Strategy that will be prepared and issued for consideration and implementation by the communities of Orange County; and,

WHEREAS, the Orlando Utilities Commission desires to have one or more of these proposed projects and programs be incorporated into the next edition of the Osceola County Local Mitigation Strategy that will be prepared and issued for consideration and implementation by the communities of Osceola County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ORLANDO UTILITIES COMMISSION THAT:

Section 1. Adoption of the Orange County Plan. Staff is directed to pursue membership and participation in the current and future Orange County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan.

Section 2. Adoption of the Osceola County Plan. Staff is directed to pursue membership and participation in the current and future Osceola County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan.

Section 3. Approval to Pursue Funding. The staff of the Orlando Utilities Commission are instructed to pursue available funding opportunities for implementation of the proposed mitigation strategies identified by OUC staff and included within the current or future Orange County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan or the current or future Osceola County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan or both, if possible.

Section 4. Use of Funding. The Orlando Utilities Commission will, upon receipt of such funding or other necessary resources, seek to implement the proposed mitigation strategies identified by OUC staff and included within the Orange County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan or the Osceola County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan or both, if possible.

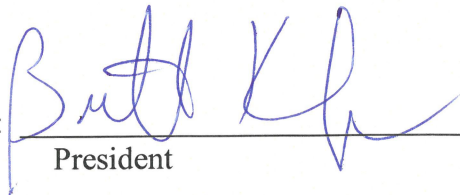
Section 5. Future Participation in Strategy Planning. The Orlando Utilities Commission will continue to participate in the updating and expansion of the Orange County Local Mitigation Strategy and the Osceola County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan in the years ahead.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be fully effective immediately upon adoption.


The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted on this 13th day of December, 2022.

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ORLANDO UTILITIES COMMISSION

By: 
President

ATTEST:

By: 
Secretary