



Board of Aldermen Request for Action

MEETING DATE: 4/1/2025

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution 1454 -Regional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2025

REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:

A motion to approve Resolution 1454, adopting the 2025 Regional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

SUMMARY:

Approval of this item will adopt the 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray counties. FEMA requires communities to have a Hazard Mitigation Plan and update it every five years to remain eligible for federal mitigation grants that support disaster risk reduction and resilience projects. Updating the plan ensures it reflects current risks, community priorities, and mitigation strategies.

On March 18, staff presented an overview of the plan to the Board, outlining its purpose, key hazards identified, and mitigation strategies. The plan assesses regional risks such as flooding, severe storms, winter weather, high winds, and extreme heat/drought, which are among the most significant threats to our community. Through data collection, public input, and collaboration with local governments and school districts, the plan identifies both existing resources and areas where improvements can be made to strengthen disaster preparedness and response.

The plan also outlines mitigation strategies to reduce or eliminate risks, prioritizing actions based on their feasibility and impact. These strategies include improving building codes, upgrading infrastructure, enhancing emergency preparedness, and incorporating climate adaptation measures.

The full plan can be found [Hazard Mitigation Plan | MARC](#)

Section 5a outlines mitigation goals for local jurisdictions, including Smithville. Staff will continue updating these goals and integrating them into the CIP and strategic planning process.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

The Board approved Resolution 799 adopting 2020 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan
The Board approved Resolution 425 adopting 2015 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan
The Board approved Resolution 289 adopting 2010 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

POLICY ISSUE:

Emergency Management / Disaster Preparedness

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The plan outlines mitigation strategies for Smithville that have already been incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). No additional financial impact is anticipated.

ATTACHMENTS:☐ Ordinance☒ Resolution☐ Staff Report☐ Other:☐ Contract☐ Plans☐ Minutes

RESOLUTION 1454

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REGIONAL MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Smithville recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the City of Smithville; and

WHEREAS, the City of Smithville has participated in the preparation of a multi-jurisdictional local hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2025 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties, hereafter referred to as the Plan, in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the City of Smithville from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the City of Smithville demonstrates their commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years; and

WHEREAS, the final draft plan prepared by the Mid-America Regional Council has been reviewed by SEMA and is expected to be approved by FEMA.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Smithville, in the State of Missouri, the Mayor and Board of Alderman adopts the final draft Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Smithville, Missouri, the 1st day of April 2025.

Damien Boley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Drummond, City Clerk