



Legislation Text

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Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan - For the purpose of adopting the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Annapolis, as an amendment to the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan to document vulnerable cultural and historic resources in the City.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Resolution 17-18

Introduced by: Mayor Buckley

**Referred to
Environmental Matters Committee**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan

FOR the purpose of adopting the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Annapolis, as an amendment to the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan to document vulnerable cultural and historic resources in the City.

WHEREAS, the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby submitted to the City Council for adoption as an amendment to the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan that was adopted, as amended, by R-11-18 on March 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, to support better mitigation planning in order to prepare for and minimize the impacts of disasters in the future, Congress enacted the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000); and

WHEREAS, in 2002, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) issued regulations to implement requirements for mitigation planning by states and communities. FEMA is the lead agency supporting implementation of the DMA 2000 requirements and makes funds available to support efforts to meet these requirements; and

WHEREAS, to be eligible for FEMA funds, state and local entities were required to prepare DMA 2000 Hazard Mitigation Plans for natural hazards; the City of Annapolis met that requirement in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the plan is to assess the communities' vulnerabilities to natural hazards and prepare a long-term strategy to address these hazards and prevent future damage and loss of life

of Annapolis city residents; and

WHEREAS, the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan took a community based approach to hazard mitigation planning to support a more resilient and sustainable historic downtown for the near term threats of tidal flooding and natural disasters and for the longer term inevitability of sea level rise; and

WHEREAS, the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan envisions for Annapolis an adaptation approach that underscores the community's desire to protect the natural heritage of the Chesapeake Bay; prioritizes preservation of historic properties with significant community value; partners with public agencies and private stakeholders to reduce the costs and impacts associated with flood protection and flooding hazards; and promotes both short and long term strategies for flood protection; and

WHEREAS the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan is an overarching vision to guide the next five years of adaptation strategies or goals with measurable objectives implemented through projects with specific actions.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Weather It Together: Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Annapolis, is a part hereof, and incorporated herein, and is hereby approved.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage.

EXPLANATION

Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.
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