

RESOLUTION NO. 19-17

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MORROW COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN UPDATE AND INCORPORATING SAID PLAN INTO THE NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN WILDFIRE ANNEX

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statute and the City Charter authorizes The City of Irrigon to exercise authority within the city over matters of city concern; and

WHEREAS, The City of Irrigon adopted a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2016 by Resolution 16-31 to reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

WHEREAS, an adopted Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple Federal Emergency Management Agency pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan contains multiple Hazard Annexes, of which the current adopted Community Wildfire Protection Plan serves as the Wildfire Annex; and

WHEREAS, the Community Wildfire Protection Plan was nearing the end of its five-year lifecycle; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2018 the Community Wildfire Protection Plan Stakeholder Group commenced an update of the Plan, with the current Plan adopted by the County in 2014 and the original Plan adopted in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Stakeholder Group represented various agencies and organizations in Morrow County that included the five respective incorporated communities, local fire protection districts, the Morrow County Emergency Manager, Morrow County Public Works, Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District, Oregon Department of Forestry, and the United States Forest Service, as well as others, all having a stake in wildfire mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Stakeholders Group met seven times at the Morrow County Public Works building in Lexington, Oregon, on October 23, 2018; December 4, 2018; January 29, 2019; April 3, 2019; April 24, 2019; and May 23, 2019; with the Stakeholders Group providing a “do adopt” recommendation at the final meeting; and

WHEREAS, Planning Staff presented a draft version of the plan to the Morrow County Planning Commission on April 30, 2019, at the Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, Boardman, Oregon, and again on May 28, 2019, at the Bartholomew Building in Heppner, Oregon, resulting at both meetings in the Planning Commission providing a “do adopt” recommendation to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on July 24, 2019 before the Morrow County Board of Commissioners, at the Bartholomew Building in Heppner, Oregon, with testimony in favor of adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Morrow County Board of Commissioners accepted the 2019 Morrow County Community Wildfire Protection Plan and approved it as presented with a 3-0 vote on July 24, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRRIGON ADOPTS THE 2019 MORROW COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN INCORPORATING IT INTO THE MORROW COUNTY NATURAL HAZARDS

MITIGATION PLAN WITHIN THE WILDFIRE ANNEX AND REPLACING THE 2014 COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN.

Section 1 Title of Resolution:

This Resolution shall be known, and may be cited, as the “2019 COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN.”

Section 2 Affected and Attached Documents:

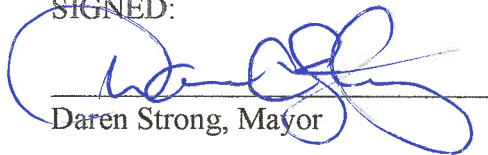
The 2019 Morrow County Community Wildfire Protection Plan shall be added to the Wildfire Annex of the 2016 Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan, replacing the 2014 Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Section 3 Effective Date:

This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

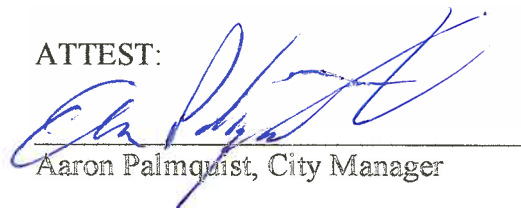
APPROVED AND PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL AND SIGNED ON THIS 15th DAY OF October, 2019.

SIGNED:



Daren Strong, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aaron Palmquist, City Manager