



AGENDA

**Pinellas County LMS Working Group Meeting
Wednesday, November 14, 2018; 1:00 P.M.**

**Pinellas County Planning Department Office
310 Court St., Clearwater, FL 33756
and**

Via GoToMeeting Webinar:

Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/362241077>

Dial-in: 1 (571) 317-3122; Access Code: 362-241-077

- 1) Welcome and Introductions**
- 2) Approval of Minutes:** July 11, 2018 meeting
- 3) Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Application Endorsement Request (City of Belleair Beach)**
- 4) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Update and Discussion**
- 5) LMS 5-Year Update Pre-Planning Discussion**
 - Proposed Schedule
 - FEMA/FDEM Requirements
 - Membership Requirements
- 6) 2018 Meeting Schedule**
- 7) FDEM Annual Updates**
- 8) Announcements**
- 9) Adjourn**

NEXT SCHEDULED QUARTERLY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY MEETING:

January TBD, 1:30 PM

Pinellas County Planning Department Office and via GoToMeeting



Meeting Minutes

Pinellas County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group Meeting

Wednesday July 11, 2018 1:30 P.M.

Pinellas County Planning Department

310 Court Street, 1st floor, Clearwater, FL 33756

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chris Moore, with Pinellas County Planning, welcomed the attendees and facilitated introductions.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 2, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Update and Discussion

Mr. Moore asked for an update from each of the applicants who were applying for HMGP funds. Representatives from all but two entities provided updates that their applications were on track for submittal. Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue District and The ARC of Tampa Bay were not present for updates. Mr. Moore indicated he had been in communication with both groups and that Pinellas Suncoast and Fire had indicated they were on track to apply, but that The ARC of Tampa Bay was less certain. He then reminded the group that if the ARC of Tampa Bay did not apply or if anyone else who did but was deemed ineligible by the State, those associated funds would flow down the ranking list to the next highest projects, but those ranked projects must actually apply by August 6 to be eligible. The next update concerned the Tier II ranking process. The group was informed on the process that will occur. For Tier I, each County was allocated a portion of the State's total allocation from FEMA and if a County did not submit eligible applications to use its entire Tier I allocation, the unused portion would then be reallocated into a Tier II allocation. The State would then tally up the total amount of eligible but unfunded projects from each County, and distribute the Tier II funds on a percentage basis based upon each County's percentage of the total of state-wide unfunded projects. This process will not likely occur for at least a year, as it will take time for the final eligibility determination of all the Tier I projects is determined.

The next agenda item under the HMGP update focused on a request from REBUILD Northwest Florida, a 501(c)3 nonprofit formed in 2004 after Hurricane Ivan to windstorm harden homes. REBUILD has hardened approximately 14,000 houses in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties since that date utilizing HMGP funds. Mr. Moore explained REBUILD's operations and that they were seeking an endorsement to be listed on Pinellas County's HMGP project list. A discussion followed with some communities raising concerns and some supporting the endorsement. A motion was made to endorse REBUILD NW Florida to windstorm harden up to 3,000 homes for a total project cost of \$30,000,000 with a Federal Share of \$22,500,000, and for the project to be placed last on



Pinellas County's HMGP project endorsement list. The motion was approved by a vote of 7-4 with Pinellas County Planning and Emergency Management departments, and the cities of Gulfport, Pinellas Park, St. Pete Beach, South Pasadena, St. Petersburg and Largo all voting in favor, with the Town of Belleair, and the cities of Tarpon Springs, Treasure Island and Indian Rocks Beach opposed.

The next update concerned \$616,000,000 worth CDBG-DR funds to be distributed through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity primarily intended to address remaining unmet housing and economic development needs from Hurricane Irma. The state's timeline for implementing the program includes the Action Plan that guides how the funds will be spent being approved in July, with DEO anticipating a grant agreement from HUD in August, and in the Fall of DEO will work with eligible entities to implement the programs that are developed in the Action Plan. The Action Plan also states Florida will receive an additional \$791 million to support additional unmet needs, including infrastructure and mitigation efforts through the CDBG-DR program. Funding for these programs will be included when the federal guidance is released but there is no set date for that to occur as of yet.

4. Updates and Adjournment

After brief updates on the timeline for the 5-year FEMA and annual FDEM LMS updates, and the Public Stakeholder meeting schedule, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02pm

City of Belleair Beach 7th Street Drainage Improvement Project Synopsis

The City of Belleair Beach has prepared a Stormwater Master Drainage Plan Update in 2016. The purpose of the Update was to evaluate basin flooding conditions that affect stormwater conveyance inside the City limits. The new plan addresses existing stormwater problems, the condition of the stormwater drainage system, adequacy of the drainage system and necessary capital improvements to mitigate flooding hazards. The plan has been separated into 16 BMP projects that are titled by the street/s affected. The 7th Street Drainage Improvement Project is ranked BMP 5. The project entails disconnecting from the Pinellas county stormwater system while adding new inlets, RCP and an outfall with a check valve. The total cost has been estimated at \$400,000. The City is seeking Flood Mitigation Assistance to offset this future capital expense. Please see the engineering overview attached.

City of Belleair Beach



Master Drainage Plan

BMP 5 7th Street



1 inch = 50 feet

Legend

- Check Gate Structure
- Existing Inlet
- Existing Outfall
- New Outfall
- New Stormwater Inlet
- Existing Pipe
- New Pipe
- Overflow Swale
- Street Repair
- Stormwater_Basin
- Parcels

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