

### **AGENDA**

Pinellas County LMS Working Group Meeting Wednesday, January 10, 2018; 1:30 P.M.

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

#### Via GoToMeeting Webinar:

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- 1) Welcome and Introductions
- 2) Approval of Minutes: October 12, 2017 meeting.
- 3) FDEM Annual LMS Updates

Discussion and approval of annual LMS updates to Working Group Roster, Appendices 7, 9 & 10.

- 4) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Update and Discussion
- 5) FEMA 5-Year LMS Update
  Discussion on status and timeline of the 5-year LMS update.
- 6) Selection of LMS Chair/Vice-Chair for 2018
- 7) Announcements and Adjournment

**NEXT SCHEDULED QUARTERLY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY MEETING:** 

April 11, 1:30 PM

Pinellas County Planning Department Office and via GoToMeeting



### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Pinellas County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group Meeting**

Thursday, October 12, 2017; 1:30 P.M.

#### **Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Office**

4000 Gateway Centre Blvd., Suite 100 Pinellas Park, Florida 33782

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

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

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 13, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously.

#### 3. FDEM Annual LMS Update

Mr. Moore discussed the process for submitting the updates to the LMS required by the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and presented a timeline displaying the deadlines for submittals. LMS Working Group members were asked to submit any updates to Appendices 7, 9 or 10 by October 26. This deadline was stressed so that staff would have ample time to process all of the edits, particularly for any new projects for Appendix 9 so that the LMS Scoring Committee to review the new projects and allow time for any questions or required edits from the Working Group members in advance of the January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 submittal deadline.

### 4. Post Hurricane Irma Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Funding/Emergency Management Operations Update

Mr. Moore explained that Pinellas County will receive a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding allocation related to Hurricane Irma. The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is typically released 90 days after the declared disaster, which would mean it would be released sometime around December 9<sup>th</sup>. Florida Administrative Code specifies that HMGP project applications are due no less than 90 days after the NOFA is released. Just as with Hurricane Hermine, any project applying must be listed in Appendix 9 of the LMS. Given the timeline of when the annual FDEM updates are due and the eventual release of the NOFA, if any HMGP project application is not included on Appendix 9 with the FDEM annual update, the project can still be added to Appendix 9 so long as it is in advance of the HMGP application deadline. The HMGP discussion continued with Mr. Moore presenting slides on the timing of funding announcements, an estimate of application deadlines, eligible project types and the process for the LMS Working Group must rank the order of HMGP applications to be reviewed by the State.

Sally Bishop, Pinellas County's Emergency Management Director, then gave an update on the Hurricane Irma response and recovery. Ms. Bishop indicated that the County evacuated for Level B, anticipating at least Category 2 storm, which affected approximately 300,000 people. Ms.



Bishop stated that the information received so far from the National Weather Services indicated that Irma hit Pinellas County as a strong tropical storm, with sustained winds of 64 mph and gusts that reached Category 1 level. 83% of the County ended up losing power as a result of the storm, with power returning to all approximately one week after the event. While numbers were not yet finalized, Ms. Bishop indicated approximately 24,000 residents, 1,700 of which were special needs, were accommodated throughout 17 shelters. Over 2,000 pets were also accommodated in shelters. Utilities pump stations were a challenging aspect of the storm as approximately 200 out of 300 stations were offline at some point. 376 traffic signals were also offline at some point. Approximately 600 miles of County roads and 15 County bridges were inspected and cleared. Forty-nine healthcare facilities were evacuated, affecting over 3,000 patients, with the County providing the transportation for approximately half of those evacuations. Six facilities had to be evacuated post-storm due to heat issues associated with power outages. The impact of new evacuation zone changes made in 2017 indicate that at Level C evacuations there will be more healthcare facilities being required to evacuate than sheltering facilities available to receive them. Healthcare facility evacuations will continue to present challenges with future storms, and Emergency Management has already been working with the Department of Health to plan for scenarios where patients will need to be moved outside of the county.

#### 5. FEMA 5-Year LMS Update

Mr. Moore announced that the County had selected the consulting firm Dewberry to conduct an analysis of the existing LMS plan in a Phase 1 approach, with a potential Phase 2 consisting of the actual 5-year update as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Phase 1 will largely entail a "diagnostic" report of the existing LMS, which will focus on a compliance review to determine what aspects of the existing plan that must remain, recommendations for streamlining the document including relocating certain aspects to other, more appropriate plans, identifying areas that are minimally addressed but may need more attention moving forward, and how the document could be restructured to focus more on strategy and implementation as opposed to risk assessment, which has not substantially changed since the last update. Finally, the Phase 1 assessment will assess the best way to incorporate overlapping requirements of the Community Rating System program and the LMS, and an overall project management plan for the 5-year update.

The 5-year update discussion continued by recapping previous LMS Working Group (LMSWG) discussions on meeting the specific CRS requirements that are applicable to the LMS. This includes ensuring that each municipality has LMSWG representation covering the seven categories outlined in Section 512 of the CRS user's manual (Preventive measures (e.g., codes); Property protection (e.g., elevation); Natural resource protection; Emergency services; Structural flood control projects; and Public Information), and that a quorum of representatives attend each meeting, either in person or via webinar. (LMSWG members may represent more than one category.) The formation of a "Public Stakeholder Committee" was again discussed as a mechanism to further integrate public participation while also achieving additional CRS points.



LMSWG members were asked to update their participants on the LMSWG Roster, to indicate who represented the above CRS categories, and to provide names of individuals willing to serve on the Public Stakeholder Committee. (A 1:1 ratio of governmental and public representatives to achieve the CRS points.) These topics are outlined in greater detail in the July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 LMS meeting minutes. A motion was made to provide the updated LMSWG roster and Public Stakeholder Committee members by December 15.

#### 6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.

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