

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2024

A Resolution to Amend the Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County to Include an Update of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

WHEREAS, the AREA PLAN COMMISSION of TIPPECANOE COUNTY pursuant to IC 36-7-4-511, has adopted the 2022 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as an amendment to the *Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County* at a public meeting held on December 20, 2023, to update the 2016 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, hearings and the meeting notices required by IC 36-7-4-507 were held, and complied with; and

WHEREAS, a certified copy of the 2022 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan has been filed with the City Clerk of West Lafayette, and copies distributed to the members of the Council, and is hereby incorporated by reference and made part of this Resolution;

THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR TIPPECANOE COUNTY IS HEREBY AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE 2022 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

INTRODUCED ON FIRST AND ONLY READING ON THE 8 DAY OF January 2024.

MOTION TO ADOPT MADE BY COUNCILOR Blanco AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR Bellisario.

DULY RESOLVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA, ON THE 8 DAY OF January 2024, HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A VOTE OF 9 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED, THE ROLL CALL VOTE BEING:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Bellisario	✓			
Blanco	✓			
Burr	✓			
Dennis	✓			
Lee	✓			
Leverenz	✓			
Parker	✓			
Sanders	✓			
Veidemanis	✓			

Kathy Parker
Kathy Parker, Presiding Officer

Attest:

Sana G. Booker
Sana G. Booker, Clerk



PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA
ON THE 9 DAY OF January 2024.

Sana G. Booker
Sana G. Booker, Clerk

THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME ON THE 9 DAY OF
January 2024.

Erin R. Easter
Erin R. Easter, Mayor

Attest:

Sana G. Booker
Sana G. Booker, Clerk



**RESOLUTION 2023-09
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT
MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**STAFF REPORT
December 14, 2023**

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Staff Report
December 14, 2023

The Plan is available for viewing and downloading at:

<https://www.tippecanoe.in.gov/DocumentCenter/View/38399/2023-Hazard-Mitigation-Plan>

The *Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan* (MHMP) is a requirement of the federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 which requires communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program to prepare a comprehensive document addressing hazards that threaten the community. The plan must be adopted by the Area Plan Commission and its member jurisdictions as an amendment to the *Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County* to receive future mitigation money as well as grant opportunities to moderate damage. The plan also includes the Towns of Shadeland and Otterbein and must be adopted by both of those town boards. This plan is an update to the original plan that was approved in 2006 and its amendment adopted in 2016 and was created through a cooperative process that included representatives from all jurisdictions as well as non-profits, educational facilities, and emergency responders; this group comprised the Planning Committee. Public input was also encouraged and received. The plan addresses natural and manmade hazards likely to adversely affect our community and provides goals and actions to help mitigate each hazard.

To build background information, the committee began with a comprehensive look at the community, including population and development trends, transportation systems, environmental aspects, and past hazard events. Staff and the committee then identified and mapped critical/essential facilities. The Planning Committee selected which hazards to study and reviewed the implementation actions from the prior MHMP.

This plan was made available for public comment on the APC website in May 2022. Staff is submitting this plan to be heard and approved by all eight jurisdictions (APC's six jurisdictions plus Shadeland and Otterbein) within Tippecanoe County. Regular meetings with the Planning Committee were held over several months with the last meeting taking place in June 2022.

Recently, this Plan was slightly revised based on comments staff received from FEMA. FEMA now requires each participating jurisdiction pass a resolution approving the revised Plan. After these resolutions are adopted by each jurisdiction, they will be sent to FEMA and the plan will be officially adopted.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09

WHEREAS, the *Comprehensive Plan* was adopted in 1981 and allows for the inclusion of multi-hazard mitigation plans; and

WHEREAS, the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County derives authority to approve amendments to the adopted *Comprehensive Plan* from *Indiana Code Section 36-7-4-511*; and

WHEREAS, the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County did hold a public hearing following proper publication of meeting notices under *Indiana Code Section 36-7-4-507*, to inform and hear discussion on this amendment to the adopted *Comprehensive Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County after due consideration, adopted this amendment known as the *Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan*, an amendment to the adopted *Comprehensive Plan*, finding it to be in accord with its own goals, thus recommending the amendment to Tippecanoe County, the City of Lafayette, the City of West Lafayette, and the Towns of Battle Ground, Clarks Hill, Dayton, Otterbein and Shadeland;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AREA PLAN COMMISSION OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY, THAT:

The *Hazard Mitigation Plan*, a part of the *Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County*, is hereby adopted.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.


Larry Leverenz, President

Attest:


David Hittle, Secretary



Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County, Indiana

December 21, 2023
Ref. No.: 2023-276

West Lafayette City Council
222 N Chauncey Avenue
West Lafayette, IN 47906

CERTIFICATION

RE: RESOLUTION 2023-09 – MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

A resolution to adopt into the Comprehensive Plan, the updated version of the County's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, with changes made by FEMA, as required by the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

Dear Council Members:

As Secretary to the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County, I do hereby certify that at a public hearing held December 20, 2023, the Plan Commission, by a vote of 12 yes – 0 no, approved **RESOLUTION 2023-09** adopting the **MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN** as an amendment to the *Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County*, and thus recommended it for APPROVAL by the West Lafayette City Council.

Enclosed is a copy of the Plan with our staff report as certified by me to the West Lafayette City Council and the resolution to be adopted by the Council.

For the Council Members to adopt this Comprehensive Plan amendment, they will need to pass the enclosed Resolution and return it to me. At that time, I will file the signed Resolution and the amendment with the County Recorder as per statute.

If there are questions concerning the above, please contact me.

Sincerely,


David Hittle
Executive Director

Enclosures (4)

cc: Eric Burns, Attorney