

Town of Glastonbury

Community Development

TO:

Town Plan & Zoning Commission

PREPARED BY:

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DATE:

July 12, 2024

RE:

Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan (HMCAP) Update

Glastonbury has participated in the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan (HMCAP) 2024-2029 Update over the past year. We are pleased to share that FEMA has given the HMCAP Update APA status, which stands for Approval Pending Adoption. You can find the full list of documents associated with this plan, including the multi-jurisdictional document, the town annexes, and the appendices, at the CRCOG website here: https://crcog.org/natural-hazards-mitigation-planning/.

The Glastonbury portion of the plan was reviewed by Town staff at the end of 2023, and input was submitted by the Town Manager to be incorporated into the final version of the HMCAP.

In order for Glastonbury to be eligible for FEMA grant programs, the Town Council must formally adopt the Plan. It is critical to do this as soon as possible because any municipalities that waits more than a year to adopt the plan are required by FEMA to go through another review process. An approved local mitigation plan, including adoption by the local government, is one of the conditions for applying for and/or receiving FEMA mitigation grants from the following programs:

- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- HMGP Post-Fire
- If applicable, High Hazard Potential Dams Grant Program (HHPD).

Prior to consideration of adoption by the Council, staff is seeking the Commission's formal recommendation.

Recommendation

If the Commission is in agreement to recommend adoption of the HMCAP, the following motion is offered for consideration:

"MOVED, the Town Plan & Zoning Commission hereby provides a favorable recommendation to the Town Council regarding the Capitol Region Council of Governments Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan 2024-2029 Update, as described in a report by the Director of Community Development dated July 12, 2024."