

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 21, 2024

To: Alderperson Chris Croatt, Chair, Safety and Licensing Committee

Members of the Common Council

From: Cassidy Walsh, Emergency Management Coordinator

Subject: Request to Adopt Outagamie County Hazard Mitigation Plan

The State of Wisconsin has endured billions of dollars in damages over the past three decades as a result of various disasters including severe weather, major snowstorms, and powerful tornadoes. While the costs of each disaster may vary greatly, the impact is always the hardest at the local level, impacting our communities the most.

Hazard mitigation breaks the cycle of damage and repair by reducing or eliminating the long-term risk to human life and property caused by the potential hazards. Therefore, the City of Appleton participated jointly in the planning process with Outagamie County and other local unites of government to prepare a Hazard Mitigation Plan. A copy of the plan permanently resides in the Outagamie County Emergency Management Office.

The plan has received approval from the Wisconsin Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Once formally approved by the City of Appleton, a copy will be placed on file with the Appleton City Clerk and Emergency Management Coordinator.

Attached you will find a resolution outlining the continued adoption of the plan. I am requesting that the committee recommend approval of Outagamie County's Hazard Mitigation Plan for those portions of the City of Appleton located in Outagamie County. The full plan can be found here, <u>Outagamie County Hazard Mitigation Plan</u>.