

AGENDA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
CITY OF BERLIN
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019, 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. Roll Call.
2. General Public Comments. Registration card required (located at podium in Council Chamber).
3. Approval of Minutes. RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes from the January 8, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.
4. Green Lake County All Hazards Mitigation Plan. RECOMMENDATION: Discuss and recommend to Common Council approval and adoption of the Green Lake County All Hazards Mitigation Plan and Resolution #19-02.
5. Update on 114 Pierce/119 Commercial Street Property. RECOMMENDATION: Listen to update and action as appropriate.
6. Adjourn.

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RESOLUTION # 19-02

ADOPTING THE GREEN LAKE COUNTY ALL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN

FISCAL IMPACT: None

WHEREAS, the City of Berlin recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation actions before disasters occur will reduce the potential for harm to people and property and save tax payer dollars; and

WHEREAS, an adopted all hazards mitigation plan is required by FEMA as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berlin participated jointly in the planning process with Green Lake County and the other local units of government within the County to update an All Hazards Mitigation Plan, which was made available for review via a Legal Notice and a copy of which will reside permanently in the Green Lake County Emergency Management Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Berlin adopts the Green Lake County All Hazards Mitigation Plan as an official plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Green Lake County Emergency Management Department will submit, on behalf of the City, the adopted, updated All Hazards Mitigation Plan to Wisconsin Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency officials for final review and approval. Minor changes been made upon advice from Wisconsin Emergency Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency will not require re-adopting this resolution.

PASSED: _____.

Certifying Official



GREEN LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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January 18, 2019

Dear Town, Village, City, and County Community Leaders of Green Lake County

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 and flooding events, major snowstorms, and powerful tornados. While the costs of each disaster may vary greatly, the impact is always the hardest at the local level, impacting our communities the most.

The State of Wisconsin, in partnership with FEMA, have identified opportunities to assist communities in reducing future losses through several mitigation activities. Mitigation efforts may result in a significant decline in the cost of a disaster's impact down the road. In fact, for every dollar spent on mitigation activities, approximately \$6.00 in future damages is avoided.

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. These preventative actions may be as simple as elevating a furnace in a basement, in an effort to prevent water damage. Mitigation efforts may also take a more comprehensive approach such as relocating buildings out of the floodplain or strengthening critical facilities to prevent wind damage and provide stronger shelter.

In an effort to better mitigate Green Lake County's vulnerability to disaster, Green Lake County Emergency Management, applied for, received, and has now updated the Green Lake County Hazard Mitigation Plan through a Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) planning grant. The updated plan serves as a roadmap that outlines potential cost-effective hazard mitigation activities, some of which might be available for future grant funding. The plan highlights the risks and vulnerabilities that Green Lake County faces from natural disasters and highlights mitigation strategies that may reduce future losses.

As this project nears completion, we are sending copies of the final updated plan and a draft resolution template for you to use for the re-adoption of the Green Lake County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Please note:

1. **Adoption of this plan will not cost your community anything.** You will not be committing to completing any of the projects listed; instead it is a list of triaged ideas that could be accomplished should the funding and will to complete them become available.
2. **If you do not adopt this plan, your community will not be eligible to apply for and receive mitigation project funding in the future.**


We are asking that you please include adoption of this resolution on your February meeting agenda and provide a copy of the final resolution as soon as it is passed, to the Green Lake County

Emergency Management department. If you have any questions or comments regarding this plan update, please feel free to contact me at (920) 361-5416 or by email at gpodoll@cityofberlin.net

(If you would like the electronic version of the enclosed Resolution please let me know through email and I will send it to you)

We thank you in advance for your assistance with completing the Green Lake County Hazard Mitigation Plan. This small investment of your time will help make our community a safer, healthier and more disaster-resistant community for years to come.

Respectfully,



Gary V. Podoll

Emergency Management Director
Green Lake County

DATE: February 1, 2019

TO: Mayor and Common Council

FROM: Lindsey Kemnitz

RE: Safeguard Site

BACKGROUND:

The Economic Development Team had a meeting with the DNR and Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to discuss funding opportunities for the safeguard site. The City has had a Phase I and II completed on the site. The Phase II report requested additional site investigation that would require the buildings to be demolished prior to conducting the additional site investigation. The DNR and WEDC advised the City to apply for the Site Assessment Grant that can be utilized for demolition, site investigation, and an asbestos removal. The site assessment grant only requires a 20% match as we designated rural county. WEDC advised the City to move forward with getting the property pad ready to make the site more attractive for developers.