

*Resolution adopting the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation
Action Plan, March 2016, with Supplements, for an
additional year due to the COVID-19 pandemic*

Whereas the County of Hidalgo has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and in accordance with FEMA requirements 44 C.F.R. 2016; and

Whereas as authorized by the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management, specifically §418.106 of the Government Code, the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court Recognizes the threat that hazardous conditions pose to people and property within Hidalgo County; and

Whereas Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Hidalgo County from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

Whereas the following jurisdictions signed resolutions adopting the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016: City of Alamo; City of Edcouch; City of Edinburg; City of Hidalgo; City of La Villa; City of McAllen; City of Mercedes; City of Mission; City of Palmview; City of Pharr; City of San Juan; and Sullivan City; and

Whereas Hidalgo County Commissioners Court is requesting a one-year extension of the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016; and

Whereas Hidalgo County Commissioners Court has already begun the process of developing a new Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan in conjunction with the following jurisdictions: City of Alamo; City of Alton; City of Donna; City of Edcouch; City of Edinburg; City of Elsa; City of Granjeno; City of Hidalgo; City of La Joya; City of La Villa; City of McAllen; City of Mercedes; City of Mission; City of Palmhurst; City of Palmview; City of Penitas; City of Pharr; City of San Juan; Sullivan City; and City of Weslaco; and

Whereas Hidalgo County was not able to prepare an updated Hazard Mitigation Action Plan during calendar year 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas Hidalgo County will be supplementing the existing Hazard Mitigation Action Plan to add several flood-control projects in Hidalgo County; and

Whereas the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) has previously allowed a one-year extension of the current Hazard Mitigation Action Plan and the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, is set to expire on March 14, 2021; and

Whereas the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, will be submitted to TDEM in conjunction with supplements that will be attached as Exhibit 2021-A; and will include drainage infrastructure projects that Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County drainage District No. 1 have recognized as projects that will improve and safeguard Hidalgo County and its citizens; and

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby adopts the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, with supplements as the Hidalgo County Local Hazard Mitigation Action Plan until the completion of the ongoing update;

And be it further resolved that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby requests that a formal extension of the Hidalgo County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, March 2016, with supplements be extended by one full year and resolves to execute the action in the plan along with the supplemental information included as Exhibit 2021-A.

Approved this 9th day of March, 2021.

RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

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County Commissioner, Pct. 1

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County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk