AGENDA

Pinellas County LMS Working Group Meeting
Thursday, January 24, 2019; 1:00 P.M.

Pinellas County Planning Department Office
310 Court St., Clearwater, FL 33756
and
Via GoToMeeting Webinar:
Link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/848114933
Dial-in: 1-872-240-3412; Access Code: 848-114-933

1) Welcome and Introductions

2) Approval of Minutes: November 14, 2018 meeting

3) FHWA Resilience & Durability to Extreme Weather Pilot Program Presentation
   - Joint planning effort involving Forward Pinellas, Hillsborough and Pasco MPOs, Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, and the Florida Department of Transportation District 7

4) FDEM Annual LMS Updates
   - Discussion and approval of annual LMS Updates to Working Group Roster, Appendices 7, 9 and 10

5) Selection of LMS Chair/Vice Chair for 2019

6) LMS 5-Year Update Planning Kick-Off
   - LMS Plan Update Orientation
   - Stakeholder Role Formalization
   - Solicit hazards to be addressed and prioritization
   - Solicitation for input to the plan (GIS data, ongoing studies, plans that support or are supported by the LMS)
   - Discussion of when “general public” meeting should be held and rough logistics

7) Announcements

8) Adjourn

NEXT SCHEDULED QUARTERLY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY MEETING:
February 20, 2019, 1:00 PM
Pinellas County Planning Department Office and via GoToMeeting
Meeting Minutes

Pinellas County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group Meeting

Wednesday November 14, 2018 1:00 P.M.

Pinellas County Planning Department

310 Court Street, 1st floor, Clearwater, FL 33756

1. Welcome and Introductions
   Chris Moore, with Pinellas County Planning, welcomed the attendees and facilitated introductions.

2. Approval of Minutes
   The minutes of the July 11, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Application Endorsement Request (City of Belleair Beach)

   The City of Belleair Beach requested a project endorsement related to a potential application for Flood Mitigation Assistance funds from FEMA. The project is part of the City’s Stormwater Master Drainage Plan and would improve drainage along 7th Street and entails disconnecting from the Pinellas County stormwater system while adding new inlets, reinforced concrete pipe and an outfall with a check valve. The total cost has been estimated at $400,000. A motion was made by Heather Urwiller of City of Tarpon Springs, seconded by Bob Bray of the City of Treasure Island, and passed unanimously by the Working Group.

4. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Update and Discussion

   Mr. Moore announced that the final, 12-month lock-in funding amounts had been determined by FEMA and FDEM, with Pinellas County’s HMGP funding (Federal share) for Hurricane Irma (FEMA-4337-DR-FL) set at $16,606,200.81. The change in funding does not impact the Working Group’s previous ranking process or project eligibility given the announcement occurred after all applications were due to the State. Given the expected fluctuation of the Federal share amounts, communities were encouraged to apply for more funds than were previously announced. FDEM indicated that Pinellas County did submit enough applications to utilize the full $16,606,200.81, however it had not reviewed applications for eligibility. Based on previous ranking and applications that were submitted, the City of Clearwater (projects 24, 26, 28 and 33) and Pinellas Park (project 30) would now be considered Tier 1 and eligible for allocated funds.

5. LMS 5-Year Update Pre-Planning Discussion

   Chris Zambito of SNC-Lavalin Atkins, project manager for the County’s 5-year LMS update, presented on the schedule for the update process to occur in 2019, beginning at the January 24th meeting. The plan expires on May 5, 2020, and is due to the state in final draft mode in November.
The group was reminded that each municipality adopting the LMS for purposes of participation in the Community Rating System must have at least two members on the Working Group with a quorum of members present at each meeting, either in person or via webinar.

6. **2019 Meeting Schedule**

The following dates were selected for the 2019 meeting schedule: January 24, February 20, April 17, June 19, July 17, September 18, October 16, with November and December dates to be determined at a later date based on need.

7. **FDEM Annual Updates**

The group was reminded that the annual FDEM updates are due by close of business on December 19, 2018 in order to be included. The group was also reminded that previous updates related to and projects submitted for consideration for Hurricane Irma HMGP process would be included in this update and were already listed in the approved Plan. The updates will be presented to the Working Group for adoption at the January meeting. The Working Group unanimously approved the re-appointment of Noah Taylor, LMS Vice Chair, City of St. Petersburg, and David Mixson, Fire Chief, City of South Pasadena, and Mr. Moore to serve on the LMS Scoring Subcommittee to review any new projects submitted in the update process.

8. **Announcements**

Mr. Moore introduced Catherine Perkins as the County’s new Emergency Management Director. Ms. Perkins previously worked for Miami-Dade’s Emergency Management Department, including previously leading its LMS Working Group.

9. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 pm.