

## TOWN OF MIAMILAKES MEMORANDUM

То:	Honorable Mayor and Town Council
From:	Edward Pidermann, Town Manager
Subject:	Adoption of Miami-Dade Local Mitigation Strategy Plan
Date:	September 15, 2020

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Town Council formally adopts the Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan (the "LMS"). Formally adopting the LMS will allow the Town to obtain Floodplain Management Planning activity credit for the LMS under the Community Rating System ("CRS") of the National Flood Insurance Program and pursue grant funds for hazard mitigation grant programs. To obtain such credits with CRS, the LMS needs to be current (updated at least every five years) and the last adoption by the Town was done in March 2015.

## **Background**

In May 2001, the Council passed Resolution No. 01-17 declaring the Town to be a Project Impact Partner with the Miami-Dade County and pledging support to Project Impact and the Local Mitigation Strategy. Since that time, the Town has participated in the development of the Miami-Dade Local Mitigation Strategy though the LMS Working Group. This document is updated and published on June 30th and December 31st each year with the latest update published July 2020.

The purpose of the LMS is to implement hazard mitigation projects, policies, and procedures within Miami-Dade County. Participants in the LMS Working Group include Miami-Dade County and all the municipalities located within the County. By officially adopting the LMS, the Town complies with the State requirements as well as CRS.

The primary mitigation goal of the LMS is to reduce vulnerability to natural, technological, and societal hazards from all sources but especially, in South Florida, from hurricanes, tornadoes, major rainfall and other severe weather events. Town of Miami Lakes projects listed in the current LMS include stormwater master plan projects such as future phases of Royal Oaks drainage improvements, traffic signal emergency power sources, lake water quality improvements, new larger capacity generator at the Roberto Alonso Community Center, and utility undergrounding in the Lake Patricia area. The Town updates this list periodically with potential projects that can be funded through hazard mitigation grants as they are released. The resolution will be adopted

retroactively as of September 14, 2020 to meet the County's requirement of adoption prior to September 15, 2020.