Introduced by: Mayor Matherly Work Session Held: February 8, 2021

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 4958**

## A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS THE OFFICIAL MITIGATION PLAN OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, PENDING FEMA APPROVAL

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks is vulnerable to damages from natural hazard events which pose a threat to public health and safety, and could result in property loss and economic hardship; and

WHEREAS, staff representing the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the City of Fairbanks, the City of North Pole, and the State of Alaska ("Project Team") have jointly developed a plan to mitigate the hazards that threaten life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) recommends actions to protect people and property at risk from natural hazards, and these actions will reduce future public and personal costs of disaster response and recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, public meetings and surveys were conducted during the formation of the HMP to solicit public opinion and disseminate information; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mandates the creation of HMPs to coordinate pre- and post-disaster mitigation planning efforts and funding; and

WHEREAS, the HMP is a technical, non-binding, non-regulatory document.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fairbanks hereby adopts the Multi-Jurisdiction, Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan of the City of Fairbanks, pending approval by FEMA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City of Fairbanks staff will work with the multidepartmental Hazard Mitigation Planning Team, to include staff from the Fairbanks North Star Borough and the City of North Pole, to lead annual efforts to make administrative and statistical updates to the HMP as indicated in the Plan Maintenance Section of the document.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that the Hazard Mitigation Planning Team has the authority to make administrative text changes, update statistics, and add new projects during the review cycles between adoption periods.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Fairbanks will review, revise, and re-adopt the plan, in its entirety, every five years.

## PASSED and APPROVED this 8th day of March 2021.

Jim Matherly, Mayor

AYES:

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

APPROVED:

March 8, 2021

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danylelle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

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