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Planning for Disaster-Resistant Communities*

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Plan Adoption Requirements

Adoption by the Local Governing Body---Requirement §201.6(c)(5)

[The local hazard mitigation plan shall include] documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of the jurisdiction requesting approval of the plan (e.g., City Council, County Commissioner, Tribal Council)...

- Has the local governing body adopted the plan?
- Is supporting documentation, such as a resolution, included?

1 FILE NO. 482 PROPOSAL NO. R2004-104

2 Sponsored by: Councilmember Barbara Gelman

3 Requested by: Executive/Department of Emergency Management

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5 RESOLUTION NO. R2004-104

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7 **A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTING A NATURAL HAZARD**
8 **MITIGATION PLAN FOR PIERCE COUNTY.**

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10 WHEREAS, Pierce County's history demonstrates its
11 vulnerability to natural disasters arising from its extraordinary
12 physical features; and

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14 WHEREAS, Pierce County recognizes the economic loss, personal
15 injury and damage that can arise from these natural causes; and

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17 WHEREAS, Reduction of these impacts can be achieved through a
18 comprehensive, coordinated planning process identifying hazards and
19 vulnerabilities and pairing them with mitigation strategies; and

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21 WHEREAS, The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA),
22 pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2K) requires
23 that local governments prepare natural hazard mitigation plans as a
24 condition of future project funding; and

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1 WHEREAS, Approval by the County Council and FEMA must be
2 accomplished by November 1, 2004, in order to position the County
3 to apply for future mitigation funding; and

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5 WHEREAS, These strategies have been expressed in the Pierce
6 County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, prepared for consideration
7 and implementation by the participating agencies of Pierce County
8 government; NOW, THEREFORE,

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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Pierce County:

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12 Section 1. Pierce County hereby adopts the "Pierce County
13 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan" in form substantially the same as
14 set forth in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated
15 herein by reference.

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17 Section 2. The Executive is authorized and requested to
18 direct the staff of the Department of Emergency Management and
19 other members of the Pierce County Planning Team to pursue
20 available funding opportunities to implement mitigation initiatives
21 designated by the Plan.

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23 Section 3. The Executive is requested to report to the County
24 Council no less frequently than annually, at the time of the annual
25 review of the budget, regarding implementation of the mitigation
26 measures outlined in the Plan.

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1 Section 4. The Council encourages local governments in or
2 contiguous to Pierce County, businesses, industries, community
3 organizations, and citizens to actively participate in the
4 implementation and maintenance of the Mitigation Plan so as to
5 reduce economic loss, damage to the physical environment, and loss
6 and injury to citizens arising from natural hazards.

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8 ADOPTED this 26th day of October, 2004.

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10 ATTEST:

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL
PIERCE COUNTY, Washington

11 Denise D. Johnson
12 Denise D. Johnson
13 Clerk of the Council

Harold G. Moss
Councilmember Harold Moss
Council Chair

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EXHIBIT "A" TO R2004-104

Pierce County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

A complete copy of the Plan
(Exhibit "A") will be provided to
you by the Emergency Management
Department.



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