

MULTI- JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
REVIEW AND UPDATE OF EXISTING PLAN
LETTER OF AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between Pierce County and the City of Fircrest authorizing this jurisdiction's participation in the review and update of an existing Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation Plan, formalizing the planning process, and establishing a Hazard Mitigation Planning Team, providing for a public involvement process and setting a schedule for completion, pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (44 CFR 201.6).

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires that for all disasters declared on or after November 1, 2004, local and tribal government applicants for sub-grants following any disaster, must have an approved local mitigation plan in accordance with 44CFR 201.6 prior to receipt of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program project funding; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires that for Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program project funding on or after November 1, 2003, local and tribal government applicants must have an approved local mitigation plan in accordance with 44CFR 201.6 prior to receipt of project funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest in partnership with other government entities including Pierce County, is participating in development of a multi-jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the local mitigation plan represents the commitment of jurisdictions to reduce risks from all hazards, serving as a guide for decision makers as they commit resources to reducing the effects of all hazards, and is in the public interest to proceed with the multi-jurisdictional grant application and planning process in a timely manner: and

WHEREAS, an open public involvement process is essential to the development of an effective plan, and the process will be coordinated with affected jurisdictions, agencies, businesses, academia and other private and non-profit interests in the county to insure a comprehensive approach to mitigating the effects of all disasters; and

WHEREAS, the plan shall include a documentation of the planning process, and a risk assessment that provides the factual basis for activities proposed in the strategy to reduce losses, sufficient to enable each jurisdiction to identify and prioritize appropriate mitigation actions, a detailed mitigation strategy that provides the blueprint for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment, a five-year cycle for plan maintenance, and documentation of formal adoption by each participating jurisdiction, and

THEREFORE,

- 1) That the Fircrest City Council authorizes the City of Fircrest's participation in a Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation Plan development process;
- 2) That the planning process be organized to prepare the plan through a Hazard Mitigation Planning Team composed of public representatives and staff from those jurisdiction departments that will be implementing the majority of the plan's recommendations,

**CITY OF FIRCREST
RESOLUTION NO. 1149**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE
CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF
AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE COUNTY FOR THE
PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE NATURAL HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF FIRCREST.**

WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest recognizes the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and the requirements for local jurisdictions such as Fircrest to have approved Disaster Mitigation Plans prior to receiving Hazard Mitigation Grant Program project funding; and

WHEREAS, Pierce County has agreed to provide a process for development of a Multi-jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee for the purpose of reviewing and updating the Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest needs to be prepared for natural emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the review and update of the City's Natural Disaster Mitigation Plan would best be accomplished with the assistance of the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management through a multi-jurisdictional approach; and

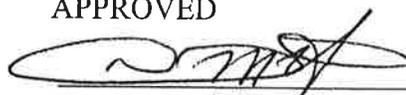
WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest could risk not receiving future disaster funding if the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan is not adopted; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIRCREST:

Section 1. The City Council authorizes the City Manager to execute a Letter of Agreement with Pierce County to participate in a Multi-jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan review and update process and to designate appropriate staff resources to support this plan update process.

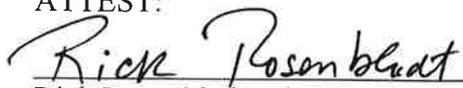
APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, at a regular meeting thereof this 24th day of August 2010.

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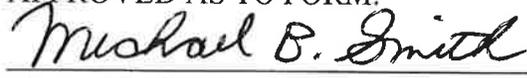
David M. Viafore, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rick Rosenblatt, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Michael B. Smith, City Attorney