

City Council

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Incorporation of the Hazard Mitigation Plan into the General Plan

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Background

- Since 2022, the City has participated in the development of a regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)
- The City has also developed a Local Annex, which describes the most relevant local hazards and mitigations in greater detail
- The MJHMP and Local Annex were adopted by the City Council in August 2024
- The proposed action is a General Plan Amendment to incorporate the MJHMP that the City Council approved on August 27, 2024 into the City's General Plan

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Incorporation into the General Plan

- The MJHMP allows the City to access Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding in case of an emergency
- Incorporation into the General Plan Safety Element makes the City eligible for state funding under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) (AB2140)
- In addition to amending the General Plan, the City is required to have permanent web links to the MJHMP and Local Annex in the City's General Plan

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Recommendation

1. Adopt a General Plan Amendment to incorporate the Santa Clara County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP) and the City of Santa Clara Local Annex into the subsection "Emergency Preparedness" of Section 5.10.5, "Safety Goals and Policies" of the City of Santa Clara 2010-2035 General Plan.

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