

# MEMORANDUM

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TO: Town Council

FROM: Sandra Smith, Town Clerk

DATE: January 25, 2021

RE: 2020 Update to the Guilford County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Council,

Every three years, Guilford County is required to update its Hazard Mitigation Plan. As one of the jurisdictions in the county, we participate in the update then also are asked to adopt it. Guilford County does all the heavy lifting as far as preparing the plan, but a representative of Oak Ridge also attends meetings and works with the County on updating our portion. Deputy Clerk Ashley Royal has served as the primary contact on this update, and I have been the secondary contact.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan is a multi-jurisdictional plan designed to comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. This Act emphasizes the need for state, local and tribal government entities to closely coordinate on disaster mitigation planning activities and makes the development of this mitigation plan a requirement for any jurisdiction applying for federal mitigation grant funding. North Carolina also requires this plan be in place to qualify for state funding following a state-declared disaster.

The nearly 500-page plan update contains a lot of interesting statistics and other information. Because of its size, I am unable to email it to you, but you can view it at <https://atkins.app.box.com/s/q224ojh7p7lwvs8xcrmwm8eqw5ohmx9s>.

The Guilford County Board of Commissioners adopted the updated plan at their January 7, 2021 meeting. The Town is being asked to do the same.

**Requested action:** Approve Resolution R-2021-01 to adopt the 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

