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## City of Venice Engineering Department

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To: Edward Lavalley, City Manager

From: Kathleen Weeden, PE, City Engineer

Date: January 7, 2016

Subject: Resolution No 2016-03  
Adopt the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy 2016 as the formal guide for the City of Venice's hazard mitigation activities and Floodplain Management Plan

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### **Background:**

The City of Venice is subject to natural and man-made hazards which may cause damage to life, property, natural resources and the local economy. The Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Working Group, chaired by Sarasota County's Emergency Management Chief and consisting of employees and community members of Sarasota County, City of Sarasota, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, American Red Cross, Sarasota County School Board, City of Venice, City of North Port and the Town of Longboat Key, has held a series of public meetings over the past year to update the 2010 Local Mitigation Strategy, adopted by resolution 2010-18, identifying hazards, re-assessing county-wide vulnerability and risk to these hazards, and identifying and prioritizing mitigation initiatives that would reduce local vulnerability.

The Local Mitigation Strategy serves as the Flood Mitigation Plan as required of all communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program and seeking project funding from the Flood Mitigation Assistance program. It also serves as the Post-Disaster Redevelopment Plan, as required of all coastal counties in Florida by Florida Administrative Code rule 9J-5, as part of the Comprehensive Growth Management Plan.

The updated City of Venice Floodplain Management Plan and Local Mitigation Strategy project list were incorporated into the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy 2010 by Resolution No. 2015-23, and are incorporated as previously approved into the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy 2016.

### **Requested Council Action:**

Motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2016-03 adopting the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy 2016 as the formal guide for the City of Venice's hazard mitigation activities and Floodplain Management Plan