PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

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REPORT: Favorable 8-0: Council Members, Dernoga, Blegay, Fisher, Franklin, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, and Watson. Absent: Oriadha and Burroughs

The County Council convened as the Committee of the Whole on September 12, 2023, to consider CR-65-2023.

CR-65 is a resolution approving the updated County-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan. This updated plan is a necessary requirement of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to remain eligible for federal mitigation funding and support for natural disasters. The purpose of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is to identify threats and capabilities, develop mitigation actions that aid in the preservation of life, and the reduction of risks and damage to property. This is the first time the mitigation plan has been updated since its adoption in 2018; prior to that, it was updated in 2010 and 2005. The resolution provides detail of the mitigation plan pursuant to federal guidelines.

The updated Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and FEMA; this confirms its compliance with State and Federal rules and regulations governing local hazard mitigation plans.

Ronald Gill, Director of the Office of Homeland Security, briefed the Council on the mitigation plan.

The Office of Law finds CR-065-2023 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

The Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted favorably 8-0.