

Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Corpus Christi and Nueces County

WHEREAS, Nueces County, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, herein “County,” and the City of Corpus Christi, a home rule municipality found in Nueces County, Texas, herein “City”, are authorized by the Interlocal Cooperation Act, as set out in Chapter 791, Texas Government Code, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement;

WHEREAS, Hurricane Harvey made landfall as a Category 4 hurricane on the Texas coast on Friday, August 25, 2017, and battered and drenched Texas for days before finally moving out of the state. The heavy rains from Harvey caused catastrophic flooding throughout the Coastal Bend Region, the Houston area and Southeast Texas and was the first major hurricane to make landfall along the Middle Texas Coast since Hurricane Celia in 1970; and,

WHEREAS, many parts of Nueces County, including the cities of Corpus Christi and Port Aransas, were impacted by Hurricane Harvey’s winds, floodwaters and storm surges resulting in damage to homes, businesses, public infrastructure, and other facilities; and

WHEREAS, Nueces County’s Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, (HMAP) was adopted in 2018, which included Nueces County, Aqua Dulce, Bishop, Driscoll, Corpus Christi, Driscoll, Petronila, Port Aransas, Robstown, and The Corpus Christi Port Authority and the County’s HMAP addressed all hazards affecting the County, such as flood, thunderstorms, wildfires, drought and hurricane winds;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (“CDBG-MIT”) funds are administered by the Texas General Land Office (“GLO”) for damage sustained from Hurricane Harvey;

WHEREAS, the CDBG-MIT program is funded under the Further Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2018 (approved February 9, 2018) (the “Appropriations Act”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the City wish to apply for CDBG-MIT funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County and City state their intent to address the mitigation needs in areas of mutual concern, as follows:

ARTICLE I OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS

The County and City will:

1. Pursue CDBG-MIT funding for the Navigable Canal at North Beach project that directly affect the citizens of both jurisdictions.
2. Allow the County to take the lead responsibility for a contractual relationship with the GLO;
3. Work with other local, regional, state and/or federal agencies, jurisdictions, organizations, or entities affected by the activities above;

4. Work with the appropriate state and local officials or agencies to maximize the efficiency of CDBG-MIT funds to accomplish the activities above;
5. The City will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the project area upon project completion, as evidenced by the GLO's acceptance of the final project completion report; and
6. Select appropriate points of contact for application entry and submission, project development, strategic implementation, financial reporting and auditing as necessary to comply with relevant local ordinances, state and federal laws and regulations.
7. This document does not create a monetary obligation by the City to the County and does not obligate the City to expend any funds on the aforesaid project that are not yet appropriated.

ARTICLE II GENERAL PROVISIONS

2.1 The Effective Date of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be date when the last signer below is shown to have signed the Memorandum.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES on the dates indicated below:

The City of Corpus Christi

By: _____
Peter Zaroni, City Manager

Date Signed: _____

Nueces County

By: _____
Barbara Canales, County Judge

Date Signed: _____