City of Westwood Hills, Kansas Resolution No. 2019-4

Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of the Johnson County, Kansas, County Emergency Operations Plan, dated April 2016 (the "CEOP" or "Plan")

WHEREAS, the City of Westwood Hills (the "City") is subject to certain uncontrollable natural events, the most common of which are tornadoes and severe windstorms, flash flooding from severe thunderstorms, severe winter weather, and drought coupled with extreme temperatures; and

WHEREAS, the CEOP identifies these and other hazards and provides some assessment of the risks related to each; and

WHEREAS, the CEOP identifies some strategies to mitigate the risks associated with these hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") (a part of the federal Department of Homeland Security) provides assistance to state and local governments and inhabitants thereof both before and after declared disasters only so long as the affected jurisdiction has formally adopted a hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, the CEOP complies with FEMA standards for hazard mitigation plans; and

WHEREAS, the City would benefit from participating in the CEOP multijurisdictional plan because the City receives planning support from Johnson County at no cost to the City, the City avoids duplication of effort, and the CEOP enables a comprehensive approach to mitigate hazards that affect multiple jurisdictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS, KANSAS, that the City hereby adopts the Johnson County, Kansas, County Emergency Operations Plan, dated April 2016.

Furthermore, the City agrees to take such subsequent actions as needed to participate in the fiveyear cycle to update said Plan and to provide its citizens with opportunities to participate in said update.

This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the governing body of the City.

Adopted by the governing body of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, and signed by the Mayor this 8th day of April, 2019.

Paula L. Schwach, Mayor

Beth O'Bryan, City Clerk

[APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY]

James Orr, City Attorney