

# City of Westwood Hills, Kansas Resolution 2020–4

## Adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region L Hazard Mitigation Plan

**WHEREAS**, the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within our community; and

**WHEREAS**, undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Congress passed the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (“Disaster Mitigation Act”) emphasizing the need for pre-disaster mitigation of potential hazards;

**WHEREAS**, the Disaster Mitigation Act made available hazard mitigation grants to state and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, fully participated in the FEMA prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and FEMA Region VII officials have reviewed the Kansas Homeland Security Region L Hazard Mitigation Plan and approved it contingent upon this official adoption by the participating governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, desires to comply with the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act and to augment the City’s emergency planning efforts by formally adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region L Hazard Mitigation Plan (the “Plan”); and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of the Plan by the governing body for the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, demonstrates the jurisdiction’s commitment to fulfilling the mitigation goals and objectives outlined in this Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of this Resolution legitimizes the plan and authorizes responsible agencies to carry out their responsibilities under the Plan.

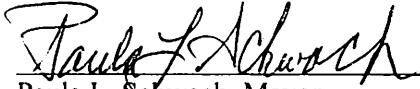
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS, KANSAS:**

**Section 1.** The City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, adopts the Kansas Homeland Security Region L Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan.

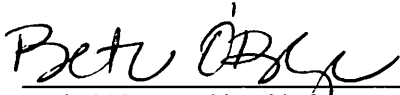
**Section 2.** The City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, will submit this Resolution to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and FEMA Region VII officials to enable the Plan's final approval.

**Section 3.** This Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption.

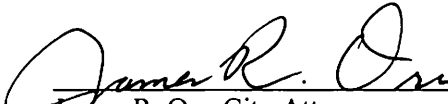
Passed by the Governing Body and signed by the Mayor this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

  
Paula L. Schwach, Mayor

**Attest:**

  
Beth O'Bryan, City Clerk

**Approved as to form:**

  
James R. Orr, City Attorney