

CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS
RESOLUTION NO. 24 - 076

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY IN ADVANCE OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS FROM HURRICANE MILTON; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Order 2024-214 in response to the anticipated landfall of Hurricane Milton and has declared a state of emergency including Lee County, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, forecasting specific to Lee County indicates a strong likelihood of significant impact on this area; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton is forecasted to become a major hurricane whose effects including wind and storm surge will be felt within the City of Bonita Springs; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton will exacerbate the impacts of Hurricane Helene which heavily affected the City's dune systems damaging homes and infrastructure along the islands and low-lying floodways of the City; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton has the potential for causing extensive flooding and potential wind and water damage to public utilities, public buildings, public communication systems, public streets and roads, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political subdivision such as the City of Bonita Springs to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of local governments by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
2. Entering into contracts;
3. Incurring obligations;
4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
5. Utilization of volunteer workers;
6. Rental of equipment;

7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities;
8. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor on behalf of the City Council of the City of Bonita Springs, Lee County, Florida;

Section 1. Hurricane Milton poses a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of the City of Bonita Springs and therefore a local State of Local Emergency is hereby declared, effective October 6, 2024 for all territory within the legal boundaries of the City of Bonita Springs.

Section 2. This resolution is an emergency measure necessary for the protection of the public safety, due to the proximity of Hurricane Milton.

Section 3. Pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Bonita Springs Code, the Mayor is authorized to declare a local state of emergency.

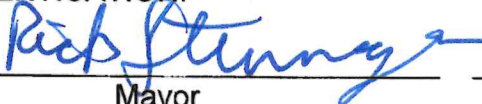
Section 4. The City Manager is hereby empowered with plenary authority on behalf of the City Council to take all actions necessary for protection of persons and property authorized by law.

Section 5. Effective Date


This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption. Consistent with Florida Statutes §252.38(3), the duration of this state of emergency declared locally is limited to 7 days and may be extended, as necessary by resolution, in 7-day increments.

DULY PASSED AND ENACTED by the Mayor of the City of Bonita Springs, Lee County, Florida, this 6th day of October, 2024.

AUTHENTICATION:



Mayor



City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____

City Attorney

Date filed with City Clerk: 10/6/24