

**EMERGENCY MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

8:00 AM

PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. RESOLUTION

1. Local State of Emergency

To adopt a Resolution declaring a Local State of Emergency in anticipation of Hurricane Irma

II. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: For quasi-judicial matters, any party desiring a verbatim record of the proceeding of this hearing for the purpose of an appeal is advised to make private arrangements for the production of a record and anyone wishing to present documents or other written evidence to the Board must provide eight (8) copies of the written material. If special accommodations are required in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals should contact the County Administrator's Office by calling 863-993-4800 at least forty-eight hours prior to the hearing.

AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
DATE: September 6, 2017

Consent Agenda
 Regular Business
 Public Hearing

Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing
3:00 p.m. Time

DEPARTMENT:	Board of County Commissioners
SUBMITTED BY:	Mandy Hines, County Administrator
PRESENTED BY:	Mandy Hines, County Administrator
TITLE & DESCRIPTION:	Local State of Emergency
REQUESTED MOTION:	Adopt a Resolution declaring a State of Local Emergency in anticipation of impacts resulting from Hurricane Irma
SUMMARY:	Local Resolution declaring a state of local emergency.
BACKGROUND:	A local state of emergency declaration is effective in 7 day intervals and provides access to state assistance or to invoke emergency –related mutual-aid assistance. If further provides the power and authority to waive normal procedures and formalities pertaining to procurement, contracts, equipment rental, and other types of services that are deemed necessary to protect the health and welfare of its citizens and property within the County and to authorize for the appropriation of funds to achieve the same.
FUNDS:	Budget Amount N/A Actual Agenda Item N/A Cost: Account Number: N/A Explanation: N/A
ATTACHMENTS:	
REVIEW APPROVAL:	Department Director

Jill Kersey

Jill Kersey, Transcribing Secretary

9/5/2017

Finance Director

Budget Department

Purchasing Department

County Attorney

County Administrator

RESOLUTION NO.2017-_____

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AS A RESULT OF HURRICANE IRMA IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE STATUTE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, DeSoto County may be impacted as a result of Hurricane Irma which may pose a serious threat to public health and safety and cause property damage and/or serious flooding especially in low lying areas in DeSoto County to include the Horse Creek and Peace River areas, and

WHEREAS, high wind damage, flooding of low lying areas; and emergency response is anticipated.

WHEREAS, Chapter 252.38 (3) (a), Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political sub-division such as DeSoto County to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political sub-divisions and by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever actions 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. Appropriate and expenditure of public funds.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing “WHEREAS” clause are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. That Hurricane Irma’s potential high winds and flooding poses a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of DeSoto County and that a State of Local Emergency shall be declared, effective immediately for all territory within the legal boundaries of DeSoto County, including, all of the unincorporated and incorporated areas.

SECTION 3. That the Board of County Commissioners hereby exercise its authority and waives the procedures and formalities required by law of a political sub-division, as provided in Chapter 252.38 (3)(a)5 Florida Statutes.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of September, 2017.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

(SEAL)

By: _____
Elton Langford
Chairman

ATTEST:

Mandy Hines
County Administrator