

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2026-41**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MARATHON, FLORIDA,  
ADOPTING THE CITY OF MARATHON WATERSHED  
MANAGEMENT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) program which provides premium discounts for qualifying NFIP policy-holders within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA); and

**WHEREAS**, the CRS program awards a “class rating” based on points achieved equating to a premium discount with each class improvement, starting from a Class 10 (lowest level of participation) to Class 1 (highest level of participation), translating into an additional 5% premium discount; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2025 Coordinator’s Manual for the CRS program includes a series of credits including an option for producing a Watershed Master Plan which requires rainfall, sea level rise and tidal flooding evaluation; and

**WHEREAS**, a qualified Watershed Master Plan is a mandatory prerequisite for CRS Class 4 or better status and requires meeting or exceeding the criteria outlined in the 2025 Coordinator’s Manual; and

**WHEREAS**, the CRS Watershed Management Plan – Prerequisites for Section 452b require an evaluation of current and future flood conditions impacting the local drainage system during multiple rainfall events and the impacts of sea level rise or tidal flooding ; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon received Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) grant funds that supported 75% of the cost of updating the Watershed Master Plan and was able to utilize state funds awarded to conduct its Vulnerability Assessment as the 25% required match; and

**WHEREAS**, the Insurance Services Office (ISO), which reviews Watershed Master Plans, has completed a courtesy review of the DRAFT Watershed Master Plan which indicates upon adoption the final Watershed Master Plan, it will receive credit in the CRS program and comprise a scored plan that will fulfill the Class 4 prerequisite requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, having a scored, compliant and adopted Watershed Master Plan will help

the City of Marathon continue to participate in the CRS program; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, that:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** The City of Marathon Watershed Master Plan is hereby adopted.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY, 2026.**

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

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**Lynny Del Gaizo, Mayor**

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

**ATTEST:**

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Diane Clavier  
City Clerk

(City Seal)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:**

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Steve Williams, City Attorney