## TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA

## **EMERGENCY ORDER 2022-001**

## **Hurricane Nicole**

November 9, 2022

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida has issued Executive Order Number 22-253 declaring that a State of Emergency exists in every county in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has issued Lake County Emergency Order 2022-009 declaring a State of Local Emergency for Lake County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Nicole poses a severe threat to the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the citizens and visitors of the Howey-in-the-Hills, critical infrastructure and general welfare of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political subdivision such as the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions by law including, but not limited 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; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, pursuant to its home rule powers, has adopted certain emergency procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida and the powers assigned to the Town Manager by the Charter of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida, it is ORDERED:

**SECTION 1. Extended Emergency Declaration.** An extension to the Local State of Emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, for all areas within the boundaries of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills. Said State of Local Emergency may be terminated by the Town Manager of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, in writing, or by Resolution of City Council.

**SECTION 2,** This Emergency Order is an emergency measure necessary for the protection of the public health, welfare, and safety due to the proximity of Hurricane Nicole.

**SECTION 3.** Effective Date. This Emergency Order shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**ORDERED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

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By:

Sean O'Keefe

Town Manager

John Brock Town Clerk