

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Meeting Date: October 18, 2021

Agenda Item: 5E	Prepared by: L. Suzanne Pritchard, PLA, AICP, CFM
Agenda Section: Consent: Ordinance. First Reading	Date: October 13, 2021
Subject: Ordinance to Adopt Revised Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps	Division: Planning and Development

Background and Proposal:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) maintains Flood Insurance Studies (FISs) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) showing the official boundaries of Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs), the Base Flood Elevations (BFEs), and the risk premium zones applicable to the City's flood insurance rates. These studies and maps are periodically updated to include better ground elevation data and reflect changes in ground elevations in the floodplain. The most recent past revision to the City's FIRMs occurred August 23, 1999. The FIS and FIRMs for the City of North Myrtle Beach have been updated by FEMA and are to take effect on December 16, 2021. To remain compliant with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the most recent revisions to FEMA's flood study and maps must be adopted within the required regulatory limits.

Recommended Action:

Approve the ordinance on first reading

Reviewed by Division Head	Reviewed by City Manager	Reviewed by City Attorney
Council Action: Motion By _____ 2 nd By _____ To _____		

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE REVISED FEMA FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS FOR THE CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Legislature has delegated the responsibility to local governmental units to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency periodically updates the City's Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps to better reflect conditions in the floodplain, the most recent of which becomes effective on December 16, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, City Council desires to adopt the revised study and maps to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in specific areas.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA:**

Section 1. The revised Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the City of North Myrtle Beach are hereby adopted.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective on December 16, 2021.

DONE, RATIFIED AND PASSED, THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

Mayor Marilyn Hatley

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

FIRST READING: 10.18.2021

SECOND READING: _____

REVIEWED:

City Manager

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