



CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

TITLE: **Ordinance 24-12 – (Community Development)**

DATE: May 28, 2024

DESCRIPTION: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED “BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS;” AMENDING ARTICLE V, ENTITLED “FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION,” BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 6-69, ENTITLED “APPLICABILITY;” PROVIDING FOR AN UPDATE TO THE DATE OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends that Ordinance 24-12 be approved on the first reading, providing an update on the date of the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

This ordinance updates Article V – Floodplain Management Administration, of Cooper City Code related to the new FEMA – FIRM(Flood Insurance Rate Maps) going effective on July 31, 2024.

These new flood maps will replace the 2014 FIRM maps, which FEMA currently uses to set required Base Flood Elevations (BFE) and mandatory insurance requirements depending on the designated flood zone.

The City of Cooper City participates in the National Flood Insurance Program and must meet the requirements of Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 59 and 60, necessary for such participation.

ANALYSIS:

The new flood maps will reclassify areas of Cooper City as designated A Zones (flood insurance required). These areas are mainly East of Palm Ave, West of 90th Ave, and North of Stirling Rd. Prior to the 2014 maps, these areas were in an AH zone, and flood insurance was mandatory.

Due to our participation in the CRS Program and our current Class 6 Rating, all flood zone insurance policies receive a 20% discount in premiums.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This ordinance promotes public safety and welfare.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Some Cooper City-owned properties may have higher flood insurance premiums.

ALTERNATIVES:

There are no alternatives to this ordinance.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance
2. Quick Reference Map
3. 2024 FEMA Maps
4. FEMA Effective Date Letter