

ORDINANCE NO. 25-__

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DIVISION 12 (FLOODPLAIN RESTRICTIONS) WITHIN CHAPTER 30
LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, from time to time, the City of Grand Rapids deems it important to review, and update, if necessary, its Zoning Ordinance (Land Development Regulations); and

WHEREAS, at their meeting on February 6, 2025, the Grand Rapids Planning Commission initiated the process to update and amend Division 12 (Floodplain Restrictions) of the Zoning Ordinance (Land Development Regulations) identified by city staff; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission on February 6, 2025, took up consideration of draft amendment to Chapter 30 of the City Code, as prepared by staff, and found that amendments were consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and would be in the best interest of the public's health, safety, and general welfare, and recommended that the City Council adopt the draft amendment to Division 12 (Floodplain Restrictions) of Chapter 30 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted a public hearing on Monday, February 10, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., to consider the amendments to Chapter 30; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk presented the affidavit of publication of the notice of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has heard all persons who wished to be heard regarding the proposed text amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA, that it adopts the Planning Commission's following findings of fact relative to the amendment to Chapter 30 Land Development Regulations, of the City Code:

- The amendment will not have an adverse effect on the character of neighborhoods. It will have a positive effect in that it will allow the city to continue to participate in the National Flood Insurance (NFIP) program.
- The amendment would foster economic development because the amendment complies with the state floodplain management rules.
- That the amendment would be in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Zoning Ordinance by being consistent with state flood plain management rules.
- That the amendment would be in the best interest of the public by allowing continuing participation in the NFIP program.
- That the amendment would be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, as the amendment will allow the city to comply with floodplain management standards of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA, that the amendments to the City Code are in the best interest of the public's health, safety, and general welfare, and hereby ordains that the Grand Rapids City Code be amended as follows: *See Exhibit "1"*

This Ordinance shall become effective after its passage and publication.

ADOPTED AND PASSED BY THE City Council of the City of Grand Rapids on the 10th day of February 2025.

Tasha Connelly, Mayor

Attest:

Kim Gibeau, City Clerk

Councilmember _____ seconded the foregoing ordinance, and the following voted in favor thereof: _____. Opposed: _____, whereby the ordinance was declared duly passed and adopted.

