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DATE:	June 9, 2021
TO:	Members of the Historic Resources Preservation and Planning & Zoning Boards
FROM:	William Waters, Director Community Sustainability
MEETING:	June 16, 2021 & June 23, 2021
SUBJECT:	PZB/HRPB 21-00400002 (Ordinance 2021-10): Consideration of an ordinance to Chapter 23 "Land Development Regulations" regarding changes to floodplain management standards for manufactured homes as required by FEMA.

BACKGROUND/ PROPOSAL:

The subject amendments were drafted based on guidance provided by the Florida Department of Emergency Management's Floodplain Management Office to local governments participating in the FEMA Community Rating System (CRS). The City currently has a CRS Class 7 rating, which entitles residents to a 15% reduction in their Federal Flood Insurance rates. Last year, FEMA announced new prerequisite requirements to obtain or retain a CRS Class 8 rating or lower. If the subject amendments are not adopted, then the City's CRS rating would automatically become a Class 9. This would reduce the Federal Flood Insurance discount to 5% for residents. The subject amendments were recommended by both the Florida Department of Emergency Management and the City's Floodplain Administrator. There is not anticipated to be any impact within the City's boundaries as the existing manufactured and mobile home parks are all located outside the special flood hazard area.

The proposed amendments would modify the following sections of the LDR in Chapter 23 of the City's Code of Ordinances:

- Article 7, Section 23.7-10 Definitions
- Article 7, Section 23.7-14 Manufactured Homes

Definitions: The proposed amendments will delete obsolete definitions as guided by FEMA and the Florida Department of Emergency Management.

Definitions: The proposed amendments will require the elevation of manufactured homes consistent with base flood elevation requirements within the special flood hazard area. There are no manufactured or mobile home parks within the special flood hazard area in the City.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Planning and Zoning Board and Historic Resources Preservation Board recommend that the City Commission adopt PZB/HRPB 21-00400002 (Ordinance 2021-10).

POTENTIAL MOTION:

I move to RECOMMEND/NOT RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COMMISSION **TO ADOPT** the proposed LDR text amendments included in PZB/HRPB 21-00400002 (Ordinance 2021-10)

Attachments

A. Draft Ordinance 2021-10