



## Legislation Text

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### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

#### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance amending Chapter 6A (Flood Hazard Areas) of Title 5 (Building Regulations) of the Naperville Municipal Code (Requires six positive votes)

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation, Engineering and Development

**SUBMITTED BY:** William Novack, Director of TED, City Engineer

#### **BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:**

NA

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) manages the National Flood Insurance Program. Back in the 1970's FEMA studied and published flood insurance rate maps that showed the areas of municipalities that were prone to flooding and possible flood hazards. While small select portions of the maps have been revised over the years, a comprehensive updating of the maps had never been performed.

For the last five years FEMA has been working with the Illinois State Water Survey to update the flood insurance maps for the Chicago suburbs. Instead of publishing maps for every municipality, the new maps are county-based. Since the City of Naperville is located in both DuPage and Will counties, we will have to reference the appropriate county map when checking various properties in the City.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

FEMA and the counties have been working through their public processes to make the new and updated maps effective for this area. The Will County flood insurance map will become effective on February 15, 2019; with the DuPage County map becoming effective approximately six months later. To be eligible to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program a municipality must pass an ordinance referencing the new flood insurance maps.

The attached ordinance amends Chapter 6A of Title 5 and references the new maps for Will County. We will be bringing a similar ordinance for Chapter 6 when the DuPage County maps become effective later this year.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None