

MEMORANDUM

To: Planning, Building and Zoning Committee

From: Eric Steffen, Senior Engineer  
Steve Crivello, Chief Engineer/Building Official

Date: September 1, 2015

Re: Proposed Text Amendments relating to FEMA Map Revisions

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has re-evaluated the existing floodplain maps and has made revisions to the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). To remain in good standing as a SMC Certified Community and in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), we are required to amend the Unified Development Ordinance of Lake County, Illinois (Chapter 151 of the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances) to include the map revisions. The proposed text amendments included in "Exhibit A" pertain to Appendix M (FEMA Maps) as well as a minor amendment to Subchapter 151.271 (Definitions) of the UDO to correspond with the revision to the Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO).

On March 13, 2001, the Lake County Board authorized the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee (PB&Z) to forward any future proposed UDO text amendments relating to WDO revisions directly to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and to direct the ZBA to conduct a public hearing to consider such amendments.

At this time, we request the PB&Z Committee direct the ZBA to conduct public hearings to consider these amendments and to refer the recommendations to the PB&Z Committee.