

MEMORANDUM

To: Planning, Building and Zoning Committee

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

Date: October 6, 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 (Isolated Waters of Lake County Definition) to correspond with the revision to the Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO).

On September 1, 2015, the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee (PB&Z) directed the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) to conduct the required public hearing on the amendments. At the conclusion of the public hearing on September 24, 2015, the ZBA recommended approval of the amendments by a vote of 7-0.