

City of Valdez

Legislation Text

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ITEM TITLE:

FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map Update

SUBMITTED BY: AnnMarie Lain, Community Development Director

FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: N/A Unencumbered Balance: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Report Only.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development held a Flood Risk Open House on Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Valdez Civic Center.

FEMA has provided the community Preliminary copies of the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for the City of Valdez, Valdez-Cordova Census Area.

FEMA has posted digital copies of these revised FIRM and FIS report materials to the following website: http://www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata.

The purpose of this report is to inform the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council that FEMA will publish a public notification concerning the appeals process in the Valdez Star on or about November 22, 2017 and November 29, 2017. Legislation provides for an explicit process of notification and appeals for the community and for private persons prior to FEMA making the flood hazard determinations final. The second published notification will start the 90-day appeal period.

For reference, staff has attached copies of the letter from FEMA addressed to Mayor Knight as well as the public notification.

FEMA's project milestones and deliverables are identified below:

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Project Milestones and Deliverables

| Meeting/Deliverable | Point of Contact | Actual/Projected Date |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|
| Risk MAP Discovery Meeting | Errol DuFour | January 24, 2011 |
| Draft Map Release – Coastal | Errol DuFour | April 2014 |
| Flood Risk Review Meeting — Coastal | Errol DuFour | June 26, 2014 |
| Draft Map Release – Riverine | Errol DuFour | April 30, 2015 |
| Flood Risk Review Meeting – Riverine | Errol DuFour | August 12, 2015 |
| Preliminary DFIRM/FIS Release | Errol DuFour | September 15, 2016 |
| Consultation Coordination Officers (CCO) Meeting | Ted Perkins | November 30, 2016 |
| Revised Preliminary DFIRM/FIS Release (first) | Errol DuFour | February 1, 2017 |
| Public Meeting/Workshop | Jamie Mooney | April 6, 2017 |
| Revised Preliminary DFIRM/FIS Release (second) | Errol DuFour | April 10, 2017 |
| Appeal Period Starts | Carmen Burducea | November 29, 2017 |
| Appeal Period Ends | Carmen Burducea | February 27, 2018 |
| Letter of Final Determination | Carmen Burducea | August 2018* |
| Draft Multi-Hazard Risk Report | Cynthia McCoy | To Be Determined* |
| Risk MAP Resilience Workshop | Cynthia McCoy | To Be Determined* |
| Delivery of Final Risk Report and Risk Assessment Database | Cynthia McCoy | To Be Determined* |
| Maps and FIS become Effective | Ted Perkins | Spring 2019* |

^{*}All projected dates are subject to revision as the project progresses.