CITY OF
BLOOMINGTON
MINNESOTA

DATE: July 1, 2016

TO: Amy Schmidt
Karl Keel
Larry Lee

FROM: Bryan Gruidl
Jen Desrude

RE: Updates to Flood Hazard Overlay Districts

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has updated the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for the City of Bloomington. These updated maps will become effective on November 4, 2016. As a condition of continued eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) the City is required to amend our floodplain management ordinance or adopt a new floodplain management ordinance to incorporate the new maps and several updates to the DNR's sample ordinance.

The DNR has provided the attached model ordinance. Engineering will tailor this model specifically to Bloomington, distribute it to the group for review, and bring to Council. Please know that it has changed significantly since the last time this process was undertaken.

The City is required to amend the existing floodplain ordinance, or adopt a new ordinance, by November 4, 2016 in order to continue participating in the National Flood Insurance Program.

These code changes will impact Planning, so staff members should be included in the work group, as well as staff from the Legal Department. The preliminary schedule is as follows:

Preliminary draft sent to work group for review:	July 15, 2016
Preliminary review comments due back:	July 29, 2016
Potential work group meetings:	August 1-3, 2016
Submit draft ordinance to MnDNR	August 4, 2016
Final draft sent to work group for review:	Week of August 22
Final review comments due back:	Week of August 29
Planning Commission meeting	September 15, 2016
City Council	October 10, 2016

Please let us know if this schedule works for your Department and which staff members will be part of the work group.

cc: Glen Markegard, Mike Centinario, Shelly Pederson, Anna Sullivan

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