

ORDINANCE No. 2019- 1008

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SEC. 152.31. - BASIS FOR ESTABLISHING THE AREAS OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD.

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas has in the Flood Control Insurance Act, V.T.C.A., Water Code § 16.315 delegated the responsibility of local governmental units to adopt regulations designed to minimize flood losses;

WHEREAS, the City of Hitchcock was notified in writing by the Federal Emergency Management Agency on February 15, 2019 that the final flood hazard determination for the City of Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas in compliance with Title 44, Chapter I, Part 67.11, code of Federal Regulations (44 CFR 67.11) had been published;

WHEREAS, the City of Hitchcock was also notified in writing by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Texas on February 15, 2019 that it must adopt the Flood Insurance Study and the Flood Insurance Rate Map ("FIRM") prior to August 15, 2019 as a condition of continued eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program ("NFIP");

WHEREAS, if the City of Hitchcock fails to enact the necessary floodplain management regulations it will be suspended from participation in the NFIP and subject to prohibitions contained in Section 202(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection of Act of 1973, as amended; and

WHEREAS the Hitchcock City Commission hereby finds and determines, that the amendments adopted under this ordinance are for a municipal purpose and is in the best interests of all residents and property owners;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HITCHCOCK, TEXAS, THAT SECTION 152.31 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF CITY OF HITCHCOCK, TEXAS - BASIS FOR ESTABLISHING THE AREAS OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD SHALL BE REPLACED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 152.31. - Basis for establishing the areas of special flood hazard


The areas of special flood hazard identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the current scientific and engineering report entitled, "The Flood Insurance Study (FIS) for Galveston County, Texas and Incorporated Areas," dated August 15, 2019, with accompanying Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated August 15, 2019, and any revisions thereto are hereby adopted by reference and declared to be a part of this ordinance.

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Commission of the City of Hitchcock this the 20th day of May, 2019.


RANDY STRICKLIND, MAYOR

Attest:


LUCY DIERINGER
City Secretary

Approved as to Legal Form:

KYLE L. DICKSON
City Attorney