

To: Planning and Zoning Commissioners

From: Andy Kass, AICP – Community Development Director

Date: October 7, 2022

Re: Floodplain Management Ordinance

Attach: Proposed Ordinance

BACKGROUND

In 2018, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released updated Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) for Dallas County and the City of Waukeee. Since 2018, FEMA, in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, has conducted additional flood studies within Dallas County and have issued updated floodplain maps (FIRM) for Dallas County and the City of Waukeee. For property owners within the City of Waukeee to be able to participate in and maintain flood insurance, the City is required to amend the existing ordinance to reference the new FIRM panels and make some minor modifications to the existing ordinance. The new FIRM panels will become effective on December 15, 2022.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

The proposed Ordinance is generally consistent with the existing Floodplain Management Ordinance. The primary changes include references to the new FIRM panels and additions/modification to maintain compliance with federal and state requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff would request your consideration for the proposed ordinance.