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## CITY PLAN BOARD STAFF REPORT

**PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** July 22, 2021

**ITEM NO:** 210195

**PROJECT NAME AND NUMBER:** Floodplain Management, PB-21-00097 TCH

**APPLICATION TYPE:** Text Amendment (**Legislative**)

**CITY PROJECT CONTACT:** Bedez E. Massey, Planner

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

### PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

This is a City-initiated petition to revise the flood control regulations within the Land Development Code in order to comply with a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mandated update. The FEMA mandated update requires Florida's local jurisdictions to revise their existing flood control ordinances for consistency with Florida Building Code updates.

The Florida Division of Emergency Management developed a model Floodplain Ordinance for local jurisdictions to adopt in order to facilitate the above-referenced revision. The proposed model Floodplain Ordinance and Land Development Code revisions are provided in Exhibit A-1 of this report.

### STAFF ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION:

#### ANALYSIS

Approval of Petition PB-21-00097 TCH supports City participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and NFIP's Community Rating System (CRS), which helps to protect owners and occupants of local structures.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Petition PB-21-00097 TCH in advance of a September 24, 2021 adoption deadline (See Exhibit A-2).

**DRAFT MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION**

I move to recommend approval of Petition PB-21-00097 based on a finding of compliance with all applicable regulations.

**BACKGROUND:**

This petition was filed by the City of Gainesville, Public Works Department. According to Exhibit A-2, the proposed text was edited by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Insurance Services Office (ISO) review staff and approved by the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

**POST-APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS:**

The City Planning Staff must forward the City Plan Board recommendation to a City Commission public hearing, where it will be considered for further action.

**LIST OF APPENDICES:**

**Appendix A Supplemental Documents**

Exhibit A-1: Proposed Model Floodplain Ordinance and Land Development Code Revisions

Exhibit A-2: Application