National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

•Federal program that provides flood insurance to participating communities

•To participate, local communities agree to enforce minimum NFIP standards

Private insurers write the policies based on an agreement with the Federal Government

Chapter 113 of the City Code

- Contains the minimum standards of the National Flood Insurance Program; applicable to all properties in the flood zone
- Per Section 113-1 is incorporated into the Chapter 170 of the City Code (the Zoning Ordinance)
- Planning Department is responsible for administration of the floodplain ordinance
- Historically, the Building Official has administered
- Assistant City Planner is a Certified Floodplain Administrator, administration moving back to Planning Department
- Ordinance will be reviewed as part of CRS application process
 - Review and confirm administrative process
 - Establish floodplain development permit
 - Establish standards that exceed the NFIP minimum

Northeast Regional Ocean Council Coastal Community Resilience Grant

- \$7,500 grant awarded to the City for a floodplain public information campaign
- Informational pamphlets to be mailed to property owners within the flood zone
- Goal of project is to:
 - Increase awareness of the City's participation in the NFIP and the floodplain regulations
 - Explain the connection between climate change adaptation and good floodplain management
 - Earn points for the Community Ratings System

National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System (CRS)

- The National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) is a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements.
- As a result, flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from the community actions meeting the three goals of the CRS:
 - Reduce flood damage to insurable property;
 - Strengthen and support the insurance aspects of the NFIP, and
 - Encourage a comprehensive approach to floodplain management.