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Action: Approved

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. PC 19-16**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 17.29 TO ADOPT THE MOST RECENT FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP.

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WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough is a participating community in the National Flood Insurance Program; and

WHEREAS, as a participating community, the Borough is required to regulate flood zones based on a Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps; and

WHEREAS, most of the flood zones depicted on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps within the Borough were mapped in 1985 using crude topography data; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 the Borough acquired high-resolution topography data and requested FEMA update the Flood Insurance Study and associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps; and

WHEREAS, in August 2016 FEMA provided draft maps for the Borough and public to review; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the draft maps, the Borough notified all affected property owners and held four open house meetings at various locations throughout the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough conducted a robust public review process including multiple press releases and posted the existing and draft maps prominently on the Borough website; and

WHEREAS, in August 2018 FEMA provided revised draft maps based on input from the public; and

WHEREAS, after a six-year process the FEMA Flood Insurance Study and associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps are complete; and

WHEREAS, the new maps are considerably more accurate than the existing maps and more accurately represent the flood risk within the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends adoption of an ordinance which incorporates the new Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps into Borough code.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 3, 2019.

  
COLLEEN VAGUE, Chair

ATTEST

  
MARY BRODIGAN, Planning Clerk

(SEAL)

YES:  Vague, Elder, Chaskro, Glasman, and Moskanen

NO: