

RESOLUTION 2019-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH, FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PINELLAS, STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES TO MAINTAIN ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of St. Pete Beach has been a National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participant in good standing since May 22, 1970, and seeks to maintain and improve its flood resiliency by participating in the Community Rating System (CRS); and,

WHEREAS, the City of St. Pete Beach has designated special flood hazard areas on NFIP flood insurance rate maps that were adopted on May 14, 1971, and the community has 6,568 flood policies; and,

WHEREAS, the City of St. Pete Beach has reviewed and re-dedicated itself to meeting all requirements for joining the NFIP that it adopted by Resolution when it first joined the voluntary NFIP; and,

WHEREAS, THE City of St. Pete Beach re-dedicates itself to be compliant with the NFIP subject to determination by the Florida Division of Emergency Management and/or the federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) by virtue of a determination through a Community Assistance Visit that the Community has an NFIP-compliant floodplain management program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of St. Pete Beach has developed and is actively implementing "Performance Measures" to ensure that its floodplain management program meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of the NFIP; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this City Commission to continue participation in the CRS program and strive to exceed the minimum NFIP requirements set forth in Parts 59, 60, and 65 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations (Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of St. Pete Beach, that:

Section One: The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section Two: The City Commission hereby assures the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management and the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force in those areas having flood, or flood-related hazards, adequate land use and floodplain regulations with effective enforcement provisions

necessary to implement an NFIP-compliant program and to implement the seven performance measures required to ensure consistency with the NFIP and maintain eligibility to participate in the CRS program as referenced and incorporated herein; and

Vests the City of St. Pete Beach floodplain administrator and his/her associates with the responsibility, authority and means to implement the following performance measures which are incorporated by reference and attached:

- (1) Adopt and maintain a flood damage prevention ordinance based on the State model that is coordinated with the Florida Building Code,
- (2) Conduct annual inspections of development in SFHAs to be reported annually that addresses identified compliance issues to be resolved through enforcement and mitigation to the maximum extent possible,
- (3) Administer a flood zone permit application for regulating all development in SFHAs with procedures and checklists approved by State and FEMA Region IV,
- (4) Ensure accurate completion of all elevation certificates before vertical construction and prior to issuance of certificates of occupancy,
- (5) Annually disseminate letters to utility companies concerning tanks that must be elevated or anchored and new HVAC equipment that must be elevated above the BFE,
- (6) Administer substantial improvement/damage determination procedures approved by State and FEMA Region IV staff and maintenance of permanent records of determinations,
- (7) Provide DFIRMs or links to DFIRMs and elevation certificates on the community's website where feasible.

Section Three: The City of St. Pete Beach also agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the NFIP and CRS programs.

Section Four: This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

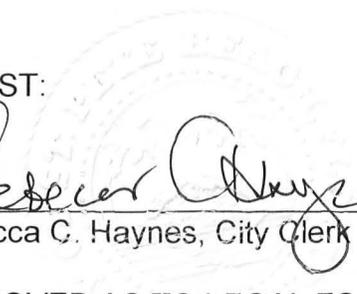
Passed this 27th day of August, 2019, by the City Commission of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida.

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Alan Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rebecca C. Haynes
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

Andrew Dickman
Andrew Dickman, City Attorney