

City of Columbus
Public Hearing – Chapter 7F Floodplain Management Regulations Amendment
(PC-15-110)
November 18, 2015

The November 18, 2015 Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the request for a floodplain management regulations amendment was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by Chair Garth Sternberg at the City Hall. Present were Commission members Pam Wolowski, Jesse Preiner, and Jody Krebs; City Administrator Elizabeth Mursko, Planner Dean Johnson, and Recording Secretary Karen Boland.

Also in attendance were City Council members Denny Peterson, Bill Krebs and Jeff Duraine; Roger Nase, Pat Preiner, and Jon Wycistah.

Sternberg: Next we'll have a Public Hearing and discussion: Chapter 7F – Floodplain Management Regulations Amendment – Map Revisions, pages 13 through 17. And, at this time, I'd like to ask the recording secretary to please read the hearing notice as published. Notice was read at this time by the recording Secretary.

Sternberg: Thanks. You want to take it away, Dean?

Johnson: I, this one is pretty straightforward, just as was read. Periodically the floodplain maps are updated. Unfortunately, for our community, the updates don't include what I would call, you know, consider useful information, like what the elevation of a floodplain is. Uh, you look at a map and you can't tell, it doesn't have a, a denotation. In more urban areas they do typically cite the flood elevation. So we are still in Zone A of the FEMA maps. Um, the purpose of this ordinance is merely to make reference to the new community panels. We have two, four, six, eight, nine of them in—that cover the City of Columbus. And this is a requirement, uh, that we need to do in order to make this timing consistent with the adoption of the maps by the feds, the state, and, uh the county. So, that's really all I have to say.

Sternberg: Well, what does everybody . . .? Oh, I suppose I've got to invite the public?

Johnson: I'm sorry?

Sternberg: I have to open the meeting to the, the hearing to the public.

Johnson: Yup.

Sternberg: So at this time, I'd like to open the hearing to the public. Is there anybody here from the public that would like to speak on this? Okay. I'm gonna to close the meeting, the hearing with the right to reopen if it becomes necessary.

Hearing closed at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Karen Boland, Recording Secretary