



## **CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

August 25, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Consider Ordinance No. 1856 amending the Chapter 38 “Floods”, and effective date of the FEMA’s scientific and engineering report and maps.

**SUBMITTED BY:** Robert M. Barker, City Engineer

**REFERENCE NO:** Ordinance No. 1856

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### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approval of an ordinance replacing the current Chapter 38, “FLOODS” of the Euless Code of Ordinances by changing the effective date of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) scientific and engineering report with accompanying maps for the City of Euless from August 23, 2000, to September 25, 2009.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- Approve the ordinance – *Simple Majority*
- Approve the ordinance with modifications – *Simple Majority*
- Deny the ordinance

### **SUMMARY OF SUBJECT:**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has revised and updated the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and accompanying Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS) dated September 25, 2009, for the City of Euless. As a condition of continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Euless must adopt and reference the revised and updated FIS and FIRMS dated September 25, 2009, in the Floods Chapter of the City Code. Some additional revisions to the ordinance to help prevent flood losses include revising the definition of substantial improvement from 50 percent to 25 percent of market value, and require non residential development to elevate the lowest floor as is required of residential development.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Revenue Sources:

Expenditure Accounts:

Budgeted Fiscal Year(s):

Estimated Expenditure:

Over/Under Projection By:

Other Comments:

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

- Ordinance No. 1856

**APPROVED BY:**

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City Manager's Office

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City Secretary's Office