NOTICE OF MAJOR REVISIONS TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

The Town of Fort Myers Beach is considering an ordinance that would update the town's existing land development code by amending Chapter 6 ("Maintenance Codes, Building Codes, and Coast Regulations") of the code, to reference new Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panels effective August 28, 2008.

The amendments to Chapter 6 would implement the new FIRM panels and delete reference to previous panels superceded by the most recent Flood Insurance Study (FIS) established by FEMA. If adopted, this ordinance will affect the development of land within the town's municipal boundary, which is illustrated on the map.

There will be at least two (2) public hearings prior to adoption of the proposed ordinance. The first will be held before the Town Council on Monday, July 14, 2008, at 9:00 AM. The Town Council will then hold a second public hearings on this ordinance, tentatively at 5:05 PM on August 18, 2008. All public hearings will be held at Town Hall, 2523 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931.

The title of the proposed ordinance is as follows:



ORDINANCE No. 08-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH AMENDING THE FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS AND REFERENCES TO THE FEDERAL FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY (FIS) AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS (FIRM) IN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE (LDC); ADOPTING

AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE IV (FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE LDC, TITLED "MAINTENANCE CODES, BUILDING CODES, AND COASTAL REGULATIONS," AND WHICH PROVIDES ARTICLE IV FLOODPLAIN REGULATION, DIVISION 1 GENERALLY; PROVIDING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained from or reviewed at Town Hall, which is open daily from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., or reviewed at the reference desk of the Fort Myers Beach Public Library at 2755 Estero Blvd. The text of the proposed ordinance is available on-line at www.spikowski.com/beach.htm Further information may be obtained by contacting Town Hall at 765-0202.

These public hearings are open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to attend and be heard. If a person decides to appeal any decision considered at this hearing, he or she may need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.