

# **DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

**Monday, August 16, 2021**

**1:30 P.M.**

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## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Brock Nicholas (Chairman)

Mark Thomson

Jim Hall

Kristopher Cruzada

Clayton Ferrara

Carlos Rivero - WebEx

David Gordon - WebEx

## **ORANGE COUNTY STAFF**

Yolonda Owens

Negron Daniels

Liuliu Wu

Jacob Ballard

Karen McGuire

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### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Brock Nicholas called meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

### **II. OLD BUSINESS**

No old business discussed.

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Approval of Minutes – Approved with no changes**

#### **B. Vision 2050 / Orange Code Update**

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Brock Nicholas, DAB Chairman. Daniel Negron, Chief Engineer accompanied by Liuliu Wu, Sr. Engineer of Orange County Stormwater Division presented a power point on the Floodplain Management Ordinance. Chapters 9 and 19 reflect the most recent updated changes such as elevation requirements, permitting, etc. in an effort to comply with the minimum standards by FEMA the Federal Emergency Management Agency to assist with local communities. The ordinance coordinates Floodplain Management regulations with the Florida Building Code and is designed to eliminate the possibility of having conflicting or duplicative regulations and keep local programs consistent with the Florida Building Code. The DAB board members accepted the changes presented today and a motion for approval was made by Jim Hall and second by Mark Thomson.

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- The proposed ordinance updates will not change how flood insurance policies are purchased or enforced.
- The FEMA published Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) are the official documents used to determine flood risk zones.
- The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) has “grandfather” rules to allow property owners to benefit in the flood insurance rating of their building when new flood zone changes are forthcoming.
  - Owners of Pre FIRM buildings (buildings built before December 1, 1981) are eligible to maintain the prior zone and base flood elevation (BFE) as long as continuous flood insurance coverage is maintained. Continuity of coverage can be maintained even if the building is sold, as the policy can be assigned to a new owner at the option of the policyholder.
  - Owners of Post-FIRM buildings (buildings built after December 1, 1981) have two options under the “grandfather” rule. They can purchase a policy before any FIRM change becomes effective and lock in the zone or BFE (same process as for Pre-FIRM); or they can provide evidence that the building was originally built in compliance with the FIRM in effect at the time of construction.

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting officially adjourned at 2:34 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for Monday, September 20, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

Prepared By:

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Yolonda Owens, Administrative  
Assistant

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Date 8/20/2021

Attested By:

  
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Brock Nicholas, Chairman

  
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Date 8/20/2021