CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 23-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA, RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CORDOVA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 19.04 "FLOOD PROTECTION" WITH CHAPTER 19.04 "FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT" IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM STANDARDS.

WHEREAS, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended ("NFIA") authorizes the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") to establish and carry out the National Flood Insurance Program ("NFIP") to provide flood insurance against losses resulting from physical damage or loss of property to eligible persons; and

WHEREAS, under the NFIA, FEMA may only grant flood insurance to properties within communities that have adopted and enforce adequate land use and control measures that regulate floodplains as established by FEMA regulations located at 44 CFR 60.3, 60.4, and 60.5; and

WHEREAS, FEMA Floodplain Specialist for FEMA Region 10, in which Cordova is located, has reviewed Cordova's Code and provided the City Planner required changes to Chapter 19.04 to maintain NFIA compliance and NFIP eligibility; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed Chapter 19.04 amendments required by the NFIA regulations: and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has determined it is in the City's best interest to make the necessary amendments to maintain compliance with NFIA requirements in order to maintain its eligibility for the NFIP to protect the community from losses related to significant flooding events; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommends to City Council that it pass and approve the repeal and replacement of Chapter 19.04.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Cordova, Alaska hereby recommends to the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska to repeal and replace Chapter 19.04 of the Cordova Municipal Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF January, 2023

Tania Harrison, Chair

ATTEST:

Kevin Johnson, City Planner