

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 320 OF SUBPART B OF TITLE 3 THE ROCKDALE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, SO AS TO AMEND ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the flood hazard areas of Rockdale County, Georgia, are subject to periodic inundation which may result in loss of life and property, health and safety hazards, disruption of commerce and governmental services, extraordinary public expenditures for flood relief and protection, and impairment of the tax base, all of which adversely affect the public health, safety and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, these flood losses are created by the cumulative effect of obstructions in floodplains, causing increases in flood heights and velocities, and reduced storage volumes within the floodplain and by the occupancy in flood hazard areas by uses that are vulnerable to floods or hazards to other lands, which are inadequately elevated, flood proofed, or otherwise unprotected from flood damages; and

WHEREAS, flood hazard areas can serve important stormwater management, water quality, stream bank protection, stream corridor protection, wetland preservation and ecological purposes when permanently protected as undisturbed greenspace areas; and

WHEREAS, following a review of those regulations, the Board of Commissioners finds the following amendment is appropriate for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program and in order to advance the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Rockdale County, Georgia, and it is, hereby, ordained by the authority of same, as follows:

Section 1

That Chapter 320 of the Code of Rockdale County, Georgia, as amended, is hereby deleted in its entirety and a new Chapter 320 identified as Exhibit "A" and attached hereto is hereby adopted in lieu thereof.

Section 2

That all ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3

It is hereby declared to be the intention of this Ordinance that its sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases are severable and if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, it shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this Ordinance.

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Section 4

This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

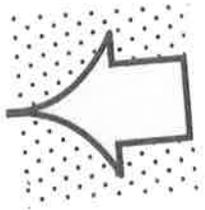
This 25 day of October, 2016.

ROCKDALE COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Richard A. Oden, Chairman

By: _____
Oz Nesbitt, Sr.

By: _____
Doreen L. Williams



Attest:

By: J. Rutledge
Jennifer O. Rutledge, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

By: _____
M. Qader A. Baig, County Attorney

First reading: 10/11/2016
Second reading: 10/25/2016