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PRESS RELEASE

INDIAN ROCKS BEACH HAS BECOME MORE DISASTER RESISTANT!

City of Indian Rocks Beach City Manager Gregg Mims is pleased to announce the U. S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has determined the City of Indian Rocks Beach will increase to Class 6, from Class 7, in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). The floodplain management activities the City has implemented qualifies Indian Rocks Beach residents for a *20 percent discount in the premium cost of flood insurance for NFIP policies* issued, or renewed, in Special Flood Hazard Areas on or after May 1, 2017.

Among some of the items evaluated by FEMA to achieve this change are:

- ◆ *Elevation Certificates*
- ◆ *Flood Protection Information/Assistance*
- ◆ *Open Space Preservation*
- ◆ *Stormwater Management*
- ◆ *Drainage System Maintenance*

The designation represents the continued commitment of the City of Indian Rocks Beach to a more disaster-resistant community, serves to enhance public safety, property protection, protects the natural functions of floodplains and reduces flood insurance premiums.

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