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## Memorandum 19-016

TO: HOMER ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION  
FROM: COUNCILMEMBERS SMITH AND ERICKSON  
THROUGH: HOMER CITY COUNCIL  
DATE: JANUARY 28, 2019  
SUBJECT: PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW OF REGULATORY REQUIREMENT FOR FLOOD  
ELEVATION ON HOMER SPIT

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It has come to our attention that structures subject to increasing regulatory requirements for flood elevation may become noncompliant with height requirements due to circumstances out of their control.

**Homer's participation** in Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) Flood Insurance Program requires that new and rebuilt structures must elevate the bottom floor. This elevation is subject to change and is subject to increases in the future. **Compliance with FEMA's Flood Insurance Program** is critical for area wide insurance ratings and eligibility for FEMA funding.

The purpose of this memo is to request that the Planning Commission review the topic and consider a height allowance based on FEMA elevation requirements and prepare a draft Ordinance for review by City Council.