

# ORDINANCE 1984

## AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 11.19 OF THE SELAH MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED “FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE” AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Selah previously adopted Ordinance No. 783 (1982) and subsequently amended that Ordinance by Ordinance No. 1337 (1998), codified as Chapter 11.19, Flood Damage Prevention, to the Selah Municipal Code; and,

WHEREAS, following a Community Assistance Visit, Washington Department of Ecology staff recommended amendments to keep said Chapter 11.19 current and in consistency with State law; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of additional proposed amendments is to correct errors and establish the City official responsible for administering the chapter; and,

WHEREAS, the Selah City Council finds that the proposed amendments to Selah Municipal Code, Chapter 11.19 achieves these purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Selah Planning Commission conducted a duly advertised public hearing on January 19, 2016 and recommended adoption of the proposed amendments; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Selah Council considered the Planning Commission’s recommendation at a regularly scheduled and duly advertised public hearing on Tuesday February 23, 2016, where testimony was taken from those persons present who wished to be heard; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council, having duly considered the Planning Commission’s recommendation and having considered public input adopts the Findings, Conclusions and recommendation of the Planning Commission,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN that Selah Municipal Code Chapter 11.19, “Flood Damage Prevention” is amended as follows:

### Section 1.

#### 11.19.020 Definitions

“Administrative official” means the ~~mayor of the city of Selah, or the mayor’s designee,~~ building official shall serve as administrator of this chapter.

Section 2.

11.19.060 General Standards

In all areas of special flood hazards the following standards are required:

(c) Utilities.

(1) All new and replacement water supply systems shall be designed to ~~minimum~~ minimize or eliminate infiltration of floodwaters into the systems;

(4) Water wells shall be located on high ground that is not in the floodway.

Section 3.

11.19.070 Floodways

Located within areas of special flood hazard established in Section 11.19.030(b) of this chapter are areas designated as floodways. Floodways are an extremely hazardous area due to the velocity of floodwaters which carry debris, potential projectiles and increase erosion potential, the following provisions apply:

(c) Construction or reconstruction of residential structures is prohibited within designated floodways, except for:

(2) Repairs, reconstruction, or improvements to a structure, the cost of which does not exceed fifty percent of the market value of the structure either:

(A) Before the repair, or reconstruction, ~~or repair~~ is started, or

(B) If the structure has been damaged, and is being restored, before the damage occurred.

Work done on structures to ~~comply with~~ correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary or safety codes specifications which have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions, or to structures identified as historical places may be excluded from the fifty percent.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

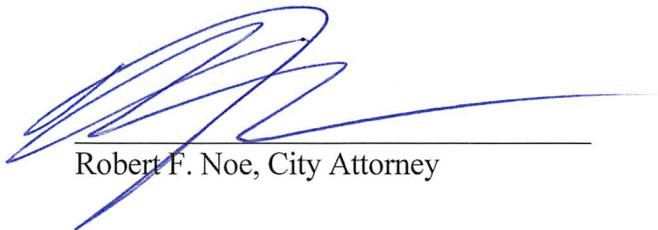
PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,  
WASHINGTON, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of FEBRUARY 2016.

  
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Sherry Raymond, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Dale E. Novobielski, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Robert F. Noe, City Attorney