



CITY OF KENNER

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UPDATED KENNER FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS CAN BE VIEWED TONIGHT IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Kenner, LA. – Preliminary flood insurance rate maps, known as FIRMS, will be on display this evening from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 1801 Williams Blvd.

The maps have been updated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the news is good for a majority of property owners in the city, according to Kenner Code Enforcement Director Stephen Petit, who is the city's Certified Floodplain Manager.

He estimated that 98 percent of properties in Kenner will see a benefit with the new maps in the form of lower insurance premiums.

In addition to Petit, Jefferson Parish floodplain officials and members of the parish's Community Rating System Group will be present to help residents find their property on the map and to answer any general questions.

The city of Kenner recommends all residents buy flood insurance, available through the National Flood Insurance Program, even if their flood zone does not require a purchase.

Residents with questions or concerns can contact Petit at (504) 468-6606.

The preliminary digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps also are available online at:

<http://maps.riskmap6.com/LA/Jefferson>. Property owners with specific questions regarding flood zones and their property can go online and ask for a flood zone determination at <http://www.jeffparish.net/index.aspx?page=3781>.

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