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2 **..Title**

3 **Floodplain Management - Amending the Floodplain Management Code**

4 – For the purpose of improving compliance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency  
5 (FEMA) model floodplain management code; and generally related to floodplain management.

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8 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**  
9 **City of Annapolis**

10 **Ordinance 51-22**

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12 **Introduced by: Mayor Buckley**

13 **Co-sponsored by: Ald. Tierney, Ald. Schandelmeier, Ald. Gay**

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15 **Referred to**

16 Economic Matters Committee

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18 **AN ORDINANCE** concerning

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20 **Floodplain Management - Amending the Floodplain Management Code**

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22 **FOR** the purpose of improving compliance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency  
23 (FEMA) model floodplain management code; and generally related to floodplain  
24 management.

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26 **BY** repealing and reenacting with amendments the following portions of the Code of the City  
27 of Annapolis, 2022 Edition  
28 **17.11.420**

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30 **SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**  
31 **COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

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33 **Title 17 - BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION**

34 **Chapter 17.11 - FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT**

35 **17.11.420 Buildings and structures.**

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37 New buildings and structures (including the placement and replacement of manufactured  
38 homes) and substantial improvement of existing structures (including manufactured homes) that  
39 are located, in whole or in part, in any special flood hazard area shall:

40 (D) Have electrical systems, equipment and components, and mechanical, heating,  
41 ventilating, air conditioning, and plumbing appliances, plumbing fixtures, duct  
42 systems, and other service equipment located at or above the elevation of the lowest  
43 floor required in Section 17.11.530(A) or Section 17.11.540(A) (A Zones) or Section  
44 17.11.620(B) (V Zones and Coastal A Zones). Electrical wiring systems are  
45 permitted to be located below elevation of the lowest floor provided they conform to

1 the provisions of the electrical part of the Building Code for wet locations. If replaced  
2 as part of a substantial improvement, electrical systems, equipment and components,  
3 and heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and plumbing appliances, plumbing  
4 fixtures, duct systems, and other service equipment shall meet the requirements of  
5 this section.

6 ~~(E) As an alternative to paragraph (D), electrical systems, equipment and components,~~  
7 ~~and heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and plumbing appliances, plumbing~~  
8 ~~fixtures, duct systems, and other service equipment are permitted to be located below~~  
9 ~~the elevation of the lowest floor provided they are designed and installed to prevent~~  
10 ~~water from entering or accumulating within the components and to resist hydrostatic~~  
11 ~~and hydrodynamic loads and stresses, including the effects of buoyancy, during the~~  
12 ~~occurrence of flooding to that elevation.~~

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14 **SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE**  
15 **ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.  
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19 **Explanation:**

20 UPPERCASE indicates matter added to existing law.

21 ~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

22 Underlining indicates amendments.  
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