

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTON LAKES, TEXAS, OPPOSING THE BIGGERT-WATERS FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM ACT OF 2012, RECENTLY PASSED BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATORS REPRESENTING THE CITY OF WESTON LAKES.

WHEREAS, the City of Weston Lakes has a number of residents that could be affected by river flooding and subtropical coastal rain events; and

WHEREAS, the Biggert Waters Flood Insurance Reform Action of 2012, in its current form, requires that primary residences within the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) will lose their current rate status if the property is sold; the policy lapses; severe, repeated flood losses are suffered; or a new policy is purchased; and

WHEREAS, the Biggert Waters Flood Insurance Reform Action of 2012, in its current form, requires the phasing out of grandfathered rates beginning in 2014 so that actuarial rates will be effective within five years thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is currently proposing a change to the Floodplain maps that will not only expand the geographical boundary of the SFHA, but will also increase the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) by multiple feet, thereby reclassifying numerous current compliant properties into a non-compliant condition.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTON LAKES, STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. The City of Weston Lakes City Council finds that the recitals above are true and correct.

Section 2. The City of Weston Lakes City Council hereby opposes the Biggert Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, in its current form, due to impacts that will disproportionately affect homeowners' ability to remain in their homes due to substantial increases in flood insurance costs.

Section 3. The City of Weston Lakes City Council directs the City Secretary to send this resolution to all State of Texas legislators and members of the U.S. Congress who represent Weston Lakes, Texas.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY WESTON LAKES CITY
COUNCIL THIS _____ day of _____ 2013.

CITY OF WESTON LAKES, TEXAS

Mary Rose Zdunkewicz,
Mayor

ATTEST:

Marlee Freeman
City Secretary