



# CITY OF DORAL

## Office of the City Manager

### Letter to Council

No. LTC# 004-2023

To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Barbie Hernandez  
City Manager

Date: February 16, 2023

Subject: **2023 Community Rating System (CRS) Annual Construction  
Certificate Review Results**

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This Letter to Council (LTC) serves to provide an update to the Mayor and Council on the results of the city's annual construction certificate review by ISO/Verisk™ for the city's participation in the Community Rating System (CRS) program.

During this year's annual certificate, the Building Department's Floodplain Management Division reviewed and archived 295 certificates, of which 199 were submitted for auditing. It is with great pleasure, that the Floodplain Management division received a **100% correctness score!**

According to the ISO/CRS Resource Specialist, less than 25% of all communities even pass the first round of review. The City of Doral did not just pass audit but had zero (0) errors. The Building Department would like to express their gratitude to Floodplain Manager, Ms. Ingrys Farias, and her floodplain support protégé, Ms. Erica "Penny" Valdes, on an exceptional job and kindly requests your support in acknowledging the efforts of the floodplain management team led by Floodplain Administrator and Building Official, Mr. Vince Seijas.

To participate in the CRS, a community must maintain completed FEMA flood elevation certificates on all newly constructed or substantially-improved buildings. Elevation Certificates are the prime indicator of a community's compliance with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The community is required to review the certificates for

accuracy. Any inaccuracy with an elevation certificate jeopardizes the community's ability to participate in the CRS Program and risks losing the insurance premium discounts that policyholders enjoy. The discount is earned through participation in CRS and strict adherence to program guidelines.

The City of Doral maintains a "Class 6" rating, translating to a twenty percent (20%) discount on all flood insurance policy premiums in the special flood hazard area and a ten percent (10%) discount in lower-risk zones (e.g. Zone X).

To stay in satisfactory standing with the CRS program, certificates must meet a minimum of 90% correctness rate. Congratulations to the floodplain team on their 100% correctness score.