

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-5

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 185
OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON**

The Town Council of Barrington hereby ordains that the Code of the Town of Barrington be amended as follows:

Chapter 185

ZONING

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Article II – Definitions

Sec. 185-5. Terms defined.

HEIGHT, BUILDING

The vertical distance measured from the natural grade immediately in front of the structure to the highest point of the roof. In determining building height, belfries, steeples, chimneys and similar projections shall be excluded.

HEIGHT, BUILDING. For a vacant parcel of land, building height shall be measured from the average, existing-grade elevation where the foundation of the structure is proposed. For an existing structure, building height shall be measured from average grade taken from the outermost four (4) corners of the existing foundation. In all cases, building height shall be measured to the top of the highest point of the existing or proposed roof or structure. This distance shall exclude spires, chimneys, flag poles, and the like. For any property or structure located in a special flood hazard area, as shown on the official FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), or depicted on the Rhode Island coastal resources management council (CRMC) suggested design elevation three foot (3') sea level rise (CRMC SDE 3 SLR) map as being inundated during a one-hundred-year (100) storm, the greater of the following amounts, expressed in feet, shall be excluded from the building height calculation:

(i) The base flood elevation on the FEMA FIRM plus up to five feet (5') of any utilized or proposed freeboard, less the average existing grade elevation; or

(ii) The suggested design elevation as depicted on the CRMC SDE 3 SLR map during a one-hundred-year (100) storm, less the average existing grade elevation. CRMC shall reevaluate the appropriate suggested design elevation map for the exclusion every ten (10) years, or as otherwise necessary.

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This ordinance shall become effective upon passage.


Council Member

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