

The notice sent pertains to the proposed Tsunami Hazard Overlay Zone

What is an overlay zone?

- An overlay zone is a zoning district which is applied over one or more previously established zoning districts.
- It establishes additional standards and criteria for covered properties in addition to those of the underlying zoning district.
- For example, if your property is in an R-2 zone and within this overlay, you still must abide by R-2 requirements, plus additional requirements of this overlay.

Important to note:

- These requirements do not apply to single family homes on existing lots
- These requirements will not make any existing structures non-conforming
- This is not intended to regulate existing uses or development

What is restricted in the overlay zone?

- Medical facilities with surgery and emergency treatment
- Fire and police stations
- Government communication centers and emergency response facilities
- School buildings with a capacity >250
- Buildings for colleges or adult education with a capacity >500
- Jails and detention facilities
- Fire-suppression materials or equipment for the protection of essential facilities
- Emergency vehicle shelters and garages
- Emergency preparedness centers
- Standby power generating equipment for essential facilities
- Covered public assembly structures with a capacity >300
- Medical facilities with 50 or more resident, incapacitated patients