substantial damage, and any other improvement of or work on such buildings and structures, the floodplain administrator, in coordination with the building official, shall:

- (1) Estimate the market value, or require the applicant to obtain an appraisal of the market value prepared by a qualified independent appraiser, of the building or structure before the start of construction of the proposed work; in the case of repair, the market value of the building or structure shall be the market value before the damage occurred and before any repairs are made;
- (2) Require the applicant to provide the cost to perform the improvement, the cost to repair a damaged building to its pre-damaged condition, or the combined costs of improvements and repairs, if applicable, and compare such costs to the market value of the building or structure;
- (3) Determine and document whether the proposed work constitutes
 substantial improvement or repair of substantial damage; <u>this determination</u>
 requires evaluation of previous permits issued for improvements and
 repairs as specified in the definition of *substantial improvement*; and
 - (4) Notify the applicant if it is determined that the work constitutes substantial improvement or repair of substantial damage and that compliance with the flood resistant construction requirements of the Florida Building Code and this article is required.
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SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, portion or provision of this ordinance is for any reason declared or held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, portion or provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be not affected by such declaration or holding.

31 **SECTION 5. Repeal.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances and all resolutions or 32 parts of resolutions of Levy County that are in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent 33 of the conflict, hereby repealed.

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SECTION 6. Inclusion in the Code. The provisions of Sections 1 through 3 of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Levy County Code, and the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," "regulation," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish the codification.

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41 **SECTION 7. Directions to the County Coordinator.** The County Coordinator, 42 or designee, is directed to transmit a copy of this ordinance to the Florida Building

Note: Additions shown <u>underlined</u>, deletions shown stricken.

Note to Codifier: Please retain the double <u>underline</u> to reflect the local amendments to the Florida Building Code.