

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

DECLARATION No. 2023-D _____

A DECLARATION OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS, DECLARING OF A DISASTER FOR THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS DUE TO PUBLIC DISASTER RELATED TO SEVERE WEATHER.

WHEREAS, beginning on January 30, 2023 the City experienced an extreme and damaging ice storm throughout the City and hill country; and

WHEREAS, the City, the residents, and the businesses within the City have been damaged by ice, falling limbs, power outages, and internet outages; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2023, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation certifying that the ice storm and severe weather pose a threat of imminent disaster, including widespread and severe property damage, injury, and loss of life, due to significant ice accumulations, sub-freezing temperatures, freezing rain and sleet, hazardous travel disruptions, power outages, and heavy rains; and

WHEREAS, significant City of Dripping Springs resources have been activated to deal with the dangerous conditions related to the ice storm and severe weather; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2023, Hays County Texas issued a disaster declaration related to the icy weather conditions and related harm and damage related to the weather; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, the Emergency Management Director for the City of Dripping Springs on the 5th day of February, 2023 has determined that weather related conditions pose a significant threat of property damage; there is an imminent threat of injury or loss of life or property resulting from:

Icy weather conditions, damaged trees and landscaping, power outages, internet outages, and other related infrastructure and property damage

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Dripping Springs has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate and prevent the suffering of people and to protect property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

Section 1. That the local state of disaster is hereby declared for Dripping Springs pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

Section 2. The state of disaster shall be for seven (7) days unless and until the disaster declaration is extended by the City Council of the of the City of Dripping Springs.

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, the County's declaration and this declaration of a local state of disaster activated the Hays County Emergency Management Plan which is also used by the City of Dripping Springs.

Section 5. Pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code and the Texas Local Government Code authorizes the mayor to direct additional orders that allow for the City to efficiently and effectively manage the disaster as deemed appropriate.

Section 6. That this declaration authorizes the City to take any actions necessary to to protect and preserve property and life related to the icy weather conditions and related matters.

Section 7. That this declaration hereby authorizes the use of all lawfully available enforcement tools.


That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this 5th of February, 2023.



Bill Foulds, Mayor

ATTEST:



Roman Baligad, Emergency Management Coordinator