



CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON

PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a severe winter storm is forecasted for the City of Snoqualmie beginning on December 22, 2022, and is predicted to produce snowfall, ice, and potential flooding, causing hazardous driving conditions and disruption of governmental services, emergency public works operations, and flood preparation in the City of Snoqualmie; and

WHEREAS, the severe winter storm conditions constitute a threat to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the severe winter storm conditions constitute an emergency as defined by the Snoqualmie Comprehensive Emergency Services and Management Plan, and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant Snoqualmie Municipal Code Chapter 2.48 and RCW 35.33.081(2);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the City of Snoqualmie that an emergency exists in Snoqualmie, and in order to respond to said emergency, and to protect the public health, safety, order and welfare within the City of Snoqualmie, the following actions are authorized:

The Mayor, City Administrator, and each City of Snoqualmie department or office is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this Proclamation of Emergency, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Enter into contracts for services and mutual aid agreements, rent equipment, purchase supplies and materials, and incur obligations on behalf of the City as necessary to respond to and/or combat the severe winter conditions and related emergency conditions, to protect the health and safety of persons and property;
- (2) Close or restrict access to, and evacuate, such roads, streets or other areas of the City as may be adversely affected by the emergency;
- (3) Provide appropriate emergency assistance to the victims of the emergency; and
- (4) Other, as determined appropriate by the Mayor, City Administrator or Department Heads, as applicable.

The foregoing actions and exercise of emergency powers may be undertaken without regard to time consuming procedure and the formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements), such as budget law limitations, requirements of competitive bidding and publication of notices, provisions pertaining to the performance of public work, entering into contracts, the incurring of obligations, the employment of temporary workers, the appropriation and expenditures of public funds, and/or provisions relating to collective bargaining.

It is the policy of City of Snoqualmie that no guarantee is implied by actions authorized above, and that there is no perfect emergency response system. In any given set of circumstances, the City of Snoqualmie, its officers, employees and agents, and its assets and

systems may be overwhelmed, and the City can only endeavor to make every reasonable effort to respond based on the situation, and information and resources available at this time.

The emergency declared herein shall be in place immediately upon the date of adoption and continue and shall remain in place until terminated, extended, or amended by further Proclamation of the Mayor and/or action of the City Council.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 2022



Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:



Deana Dean, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Bob C. Sterbank, City Attorney