



CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON
PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a severe winter storm struck the City of Snoqualmie beginning on December 26, 2021, and has produced and is forecast to continue 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 appropriate.

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.

Dated this 5th day of January 2022

Katherine Ross

Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

Deb Estrada

Deborah Estrada, City Clerk

**CITY OF SNOQUALMIE
RESOLUTION NO. 1604**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON, RATIFYING THE
JANUARY 5, 2022 PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSING
SEVERE WINTER STORM CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, it was reported to the Office of the Mayor, that beginning on December 26, 2021, a severe winter storm struck the City of Snoqualmie and has produced and is forecast to continue to produce snowfall, ice, and potential flooding; and

WHEREAS, this caused great concern for hazardous driving conditions and disruption of governmental services, emergency public works operations, and flood preparation in the City of Snoqualmie; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.48.020(B) of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code defines an “emergency” as including “an event or set of circumstances which demands immediate action to preserve public health, protect life, protect property, protect natural resources or to provide relief to any stricken community overtaken by such occurrences”; and

WHEREAS, SMC 2.48.050(A)(2) authorizes the Mayor to, among other things, “[i]ssue and transmit to federal, state, regional and local agencies a proclamation of local emergency authorizing the mayor and city staff to, *inter alia*, take all necessary actions and measures to combat a disaster; protect persons, property, and natural resources; and provide emergency assistance to victims of the disaster and exercise powers authorized in RCW 38.52.070; and

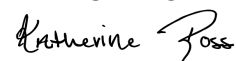
WHEREAS, on January 5, 2022, Mayor Katherine Ross issued a Proclamation of Emergency authorizing the Mayor, City Administrator, and individual departments to exercise powers including: (1) Enter into contracts for services and mutual aid agreements, rent equipment, purchase supplies and materials, and 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; and (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; and (3) Provide appropriate emergency assistance to the victims of the emergency; and; and (4) Other, as appropriate.

WHEREAS, SMC Section 2.48.050(A)(2) provides that “following its issuance, such a proclamation [of emergency] must be approved by the City Council when practical”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington hereby ratifies the Proclamation of Emergency issued January 5, 2022, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and all emergency actions taken by the City under the authority thereof.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington this 10th day of January 2022.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE



Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

DA Estrada

Deborah A. Estrada, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Bob C. Sterbank

Bob Sterbank, City Attorney



CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON
RESCISSION OF
PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY 22-01

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2022, the Mayor of Snoqualmie, Washington proclaimed a public emergency for a severe winter storm; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2022, the Snoqualmie City Council adopted Resolution No. 1602 ratifying the January 5, 2022, Emergency Proclamation; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Proclamation stated that the emergency declared therein shall be in place immediately and remain in place until terminated, extended, or amended by further Proclamation of the Mayor and/or action of the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY CONFIRMED AND PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the City of Snoqualmie that, effective December 22, 2022, the emergency declared by Katherine Ross on January 5, 2022, is terminated and the January 5, 2022, Emergency Proclamation is rescinded and of no further force or effect.

A copy of this declaration, to the extent practicable, shall be posted at the City's regular locations for official notices and shall be made available to members of the local news media and the general public and appropriate federal, state, regional, and local agencies.

Dated this 2nd day of January 2023

Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

Deana Dean, City Clerk