

RESOLUTION NO. 2384

RESOLUTION DECLARING WINTER STORM DISASTER

WHEREAS, the City of Valley City has experienced exceptional amounts of precipitation resulting in significant impacts affecting the entire City; and

WHEREAS, snow and freezing rain began on December 13, 2022, with bands of heavy snow, freezing rain, and blizzard or ground blizzard conditions continuing up to and including the date of this Resolution, which have created thick layers of ice accumulation and snow accumulation in excess of 20 inches over a short period of time; and

WHEREAS, the snow and ice accumulations have affected transportation within the City, overwhelmed the provision of City services including snow removal and garbage pick-up, and resulted in loss of power provided by the Valley City Electric Department; and

WHEREAS, efforts to respond to the predicted storm began on December 12, 2022, and disaster mitigation is expected to last for at least five weeks; and

WHEREAS, Section 19-01-03 of the Valley City Municipal Code authorizes the President of the Board of City Commissioners or Commissioner acting for the President to declare a local disaster or emergency if the President finds the city or any part thereof is suffering or is in imminent danger of suffering a natural or manmade disaster, civil emergency, or utility emergency; and

WHEREAS, Section 19-01-03 of the Valley City Municipal Code further authorizes the Board of City Commissioners to extend an emergency or disaster declaration for a period exceeding 30 days.

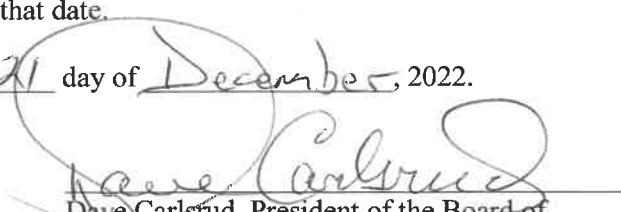
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that President Dave Carlsrud, Mayor of the City of Valley City, hereby finds that the City has suffered a significant blizzard, snow, and ice event, and therefore declares a winter storm disaster in the City of Valley City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that local efforts shall be coordinated with appropriate county, state and federal departments, agencies and officials to take all appropriate action to properly and effectively respond to and mitigate the winter storm disaster.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that exempt employees designated by the City Administrator are eligible for and authorized to receive payment of overtime during the declared winter storm disaster.

This emergency declaration is retroactive to December 12, 2022, and shall remain in effect until January 31, 2023, unless rescinded prior to that date.

Passed, adopted and approved this 21 day of December, 2022.


Dave Carlsrud, President of the Board of
City Commissioners, Valley City, North Dakota

ATTEST:


Avis Richter, Finance Director