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**CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER
ORDINANCE 1-2011**
(Drafted by City Manager and City Attorney)

Introduced by: _____

An Ordinance amending *Mount Rainier Code* Chapter 13A, Snow Emergency Routes, adding Chapter 13B, City Emergencies, for all types of hazardous conditions, including but not limited to inclement weather, power outages, water contamination, and adopting the City of Mount Rainier Emergency Operations Plan

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Mount Rainier want to amend the *Mount Rainier Code* establish the policies and procedures for declaring a city emergency; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 13A of the *Mount Rainier Code* currently refers to the declaration of snow emergency routes; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that the City Manager or designee should have the authority to declare a City emergency or extend an emergency declared by the District of Columbia.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2011 by the Council of the City of Mount Rainier that:

SECTION ONE: Chapter 13A the *Mount Rainier Code* is amended as follows:

Chapter 13A. SNOW EMERGENCIESY ROUTES.

Section 13A 101. Snow Emergency Routes.

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C. ~~It shall be publicly announced by means of City cable telecast and City newsletter, that a~~ A snow emergency SHALL ~~will~~ be automatically declared in the City of Mount Rainier after such declaration has been made by the District of Columbia Government in Washington, DC. The emergency shall continue in force and effect until the District of Columbia Government shall declare the snow emergency over.

D. THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE ALSO MAY DELARE A CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER SNOW EMERGENCY, WITHOUT A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SNOW EMERGENCY DECLARATION, OR MAY EXTEND A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SNOW EMERGENCY WHENEVER THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE DETERMINES THAT TO DO SO IS IN

THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENRY. THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER SNOW EMERGENCY SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SNOW EMERGENCY ENDS. THE SNOW EMERGENCY CAN BE EXTENDED BY THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE. UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE CITY MANAGER, CHIEF OF POLICE, OR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE EMERGENCY SHALL BE LIFTED.

- E. IN THE EVENT OF A SNOW EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER, THE LATEST EDITION OF THE CITY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN SHALL GO INTO EFFECT. (SEE CHAPTER 13B, SECTION 13B-103).
- F. PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER SNOW EMERGENCY MAY BE GIVEN BY CITY CABLE TELEVISION, WEBSITE, CITY NEWSLETTER, TELEVISION AND RADIO NOTICES, E-MAIL ALERTS, TWITTER, AND SUCH OTHER MEANS AS THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE DEEMS NECESSARY, EFFECTIVE, AND APPROPRIATE.

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SECTION TWO: A new Chapter 13B is added to the *Mount Rainier Code* as follows:

CHAPTER 13B. DECLARATION OF CITY EMERGENCY

SECTION 13B-101. DEFINITIONS.

CONDITIONS THAT MAY CONSTITUTE THE NEED TO DECLARE A CITY EMERGENCY SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- A. INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS THAT INCLUDE WIND LEVELS THAT EXCEED 50 MILES PER HOUR (MPH), OR CONDITIONS DECLARED BY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AS A STORM WATCH, WEATHER ADVISORY, OR WEATHER WARNING FOR A HURRICANE, TORNADO, ICE STORM, SNOW STORM AND FLOODING.
- B. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, A CHEMICAL SPILL, WATER CONTAMINATION, UPROOTED TREES, EARTHQUAKE, TREMOR, DOWNED POWER LINES, POWER OUTAGES, AND BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES DECLARED UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION.

SECTION 13B-103. ADOPTION OF CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN.

- A. THE FEBRUARY 1, 2009, AS AMENDED, OR THE LATEST EDITION AND REVISION OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN IS ADOPTED BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PARTY OF THIS CODE.
- B. IF THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE DETERMINES THAT INCLEMENT WEATHER OR OTHER HAZARDOUS CONDITION EXISTS, AND DECLARES A CITY EMERGENCY, THE LATEST EDITION OF THE CITY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN SHALL GO INTO EFFECT.
- C. A CITY EMERGENCY SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY DECLARED IN THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER AFTER SUCH DECLARATION HAS BEEN MADE BY THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON, DC. THE CITY EMERGENCY SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT SHALL DECLARE THE EMERGENCY TO BE OVER.
- D. THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE ALSO MAY DELARE A CITY EMERGENCY, WITHOUT A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EMERGENCY DECLARATION, OR MAY EXTEND A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EMERGENCY WHENEVER THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HERDESIGNEE DETERMINES THAT TO DO SO IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENRY. THE CITY EMERGENCY SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EMERGENCY ENDS. THE CITY EMERGENCY CAN BE EXTENDED BY THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE. UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE CITY MANAGER, CHIEF OF POLICE, OR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE CITY EMERGENCY SHALL BE LIFTED.
- E. PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER SNOW EMERGENCY MAY BE GIVEN BY CITY CABLE TELEVISION, WEBSITE, CITY NEWSLETTER, TELEVISION AND RADIO NOTICES, E-MAIL ALERTS, TWITTER, AND SUCH OTHER MEANS AS THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE DEEMS NECESSARY, EFFECTIVE, AND APPROPRIATE.

SECTION THREE. This Ordinance shall be effective on _____, 2011.

THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2011.

Attest:

Jeannelle B. Wallace, City Manager

Malinda Miles, Mayor

Jimmy Tarlau, Councilmember

William Updike, Councilmember

Bryan Knedler, Councilmember

Ivy R. Thompson, Councilmember

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Asterisks * * * * indicate matter unchanged in existing law, but not set forth in this Ordinance.

ALL CAPITAL LETTERS AND UNDERLINING indicate matter added to existing law.

~~Strikeouts~~ indicate matter deleted from existing law.