

**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
FOR 2024 FEBRUARY WINTER STORMS  
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**WHEREAS**, Culver City Municipal Code Section 3.09.020.B empowers the City Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency if the City Council is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, a “local emergency” is defined in Government Code Section 8558(c), in pertinent part, to mean “the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a...city, caused by conditions such as...fire, flood, storm...or other conditions, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of that political subdivision and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat...;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Culver City does hereby find that a threat to public health and safety now exists in the City of Culver City due to winter storms, resulting in, among other things, high winds, prolonged periods of heavy rains, land movement incidents, evacuation warnings in hillside areas, potential for significant debris flows, and urban flooding. The National Weather Service has forecasted that additional and continuing storms related to this series of atmospheric river systems threaten the Los Angeles County region. Coordination, collaboration, and the combined forces of different jurisdictions are imperatively needed to effectively respond to and recover from these and likely forecasted severe winter storms; and

**WHEREAS**, as of February 4, 2024, there exists conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property on the basis of winter storms in the City and the region, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

**WHEREAS**, the mobilization of local resources, and the ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, and use mutual aid, will be critical to successfully responding to the emergency for the winter storms; and

**WHEREAS**, these conditions warrant and necessitate that the City of Culver City proclaim the existence of a local emergency for the winter storms; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Culver City is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session, and that the aforementioned conditions of threat to public health and safety warrant and necessitate that the Director of Emergency Services proclaim the existence of a local emergency.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** by the Director of Emergency Services, that a local emergency for winter storms exists in Culver City, and the local emergency shall not remain in effect for a period in excess of seven days, unless it has been ratified by the City Council; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the City shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinances, and resolutions of the City; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that a copy of this Proclamation be forwarded to the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management, to be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; and that the Governor issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in Los Angeles County; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that this Proclamation of Local Emergency shall take effect immediately and that widespread publicity and notice shall be given of this Proclamation throughout the City.

Date: February 05, 2024



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John M. Nachbar, City Manager  
Director of Emergency Services  
City of Culver City, California