

CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO. _____

RATIFYING THE CITY MANAGER'S DECLARATIONS OF THE
EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO
MULTIPLE WAVES OF SEVERE WINTER STORMS

WHEREAS, the Alameda Municipal Code, Chapter 2-24, defines a local emergency as “the actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to safety of persons and property within a jurisdiction;” and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630 empowers the City Council to proclaim a local emergency by ordinance when the City of Alameda is affected by a public calamity and/or serious threat to the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2023, the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist throughout California that will assist local governments and protect public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2023, President Biden declared that an emergency exists in the State of California, and ordered Federal assistance to supplement State, tribal, and local response efforts due to emergency conditions resulting from successive and severe winter storms, flooding, and mudslides; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2023, the City Manager and Director of Emergency Services made findings that due to severe winter storms that started December 27, 2022, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen in the City of Alameda and, based thereon, declared a local emergency in the City of Alameda that expires on January 11, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2023, the City Manager and Director of Emergency Services made findings that due to multiple rounds of severe winter storms and convective weather bringing gusty winds, brief periods of heavy rains, and thunderstorms with possible lightning strikes, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen in the City of Alameda and, based thereon, declared a continued local emergency in the City of Alameda that expires on January 17, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the January 4, 2023 declaration of emergency terminated by operation of law on the 7th day and was subsumed by the January 10, 2023 declaration of local emergency, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager and Director of Emergency Services terminated the January 10, 2023 declaration of local emergency on January 17, 2023; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15378 (not a project) and Section 15061(b)(3) (no significant environmental impact).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alameda does resolve, declare, determine, and order the following:

Section 1. The City Council finds and determines that the foregoing recitals to be true and correct and hereby incorporates them in this resolution.

Section 2. The City Council ratifies and declares that the City Manager's January 4, 2023 and January 10, 2023 declarations of a local emergency due to severe winter storms are appropriate.

Section 3. The City Council also ratifies and declares the termination of the January 4, 2023 and January 10, 2023 declarations of local emergency as of January 17th, 2023.

Section 4. This resolution is effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Council of the City of Alameda in a regular meeting assembled on the 17th day of January 2023 by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 18th day of January 2023.

Lara Weisiger, City Clerk
City of Alameda

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Yibin Shen, City Attorney
City of Alameda