

Memorandum

Memorandum No: 23-113

Date: March 2, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Ryan Henderson, Interim City Manager



Re: Hazardous Weather Outlook for March 2, 2023

The National Weather Service has issued a Hazardous Weather Outlook for North and Central Texas for Thursday, March 2. According to the National Weather Service, thunderstorms will become more numerous by this afternoon and continue into tonight with widespread severe weather likely across much of the region. The greatest risk for severe weather will exist along and east of Highway 281 during the day, shifting east of the I-35 corridor during the evening hours. All modes of severe weather will be possible including large hail, damaging wind gusts, and tornadoes. Windy conditions are expected overnight with gusts to near 45 mph expected to arrive overnight.

The Emergency Management Division in coordination with the Public Works Department has begun the initial preparation for the upcoming hazardous weather event. The following actions have been/will be taken by city staff and partners:

- Generators have been checked;
- Public Works staff began filling water storage tanks earlier today;
- Public Works has three personnel on call tonight, with an additional three on standby;
- If a large response is required, Public Works is prepared to bring all hands on deck;
- An operator will be watching the SCADA system remotely and if there are any power outages an operator will be brought in; and
- Chainsaws, backhoes, and other equipment are ready to clear debris if needed.

Attached as an Exhibit to this memorandum is the Emergency Management Command Chart. The Emergency Management Command Chart dictates the chain of command, maintains operational continuity, and assigns areas of responsibility during a declared or potential emergency or during a significant public health and safety event.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Emergency Management Command Chart

- c. Ray Isom, Fire Chief
- Steven Smith, Interim Public Works Director
- Frances La Rue, Communications Manager
- Taylor Lough, Assistant City Manager
- Greg Peters, Interim Assistant City Manager
- Clark McCoy, City Attorney
- Carrie Land, City Secretary
- Management Team

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