



## CITY OF NORTH BEND PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS**, Mark Rigos, the Public Works Director/City Engineer for the City of North Bend, has reported to the Office of the Mayor, beginning January 13, 2022, that the City has been without garbage service since December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, initially due to snow, and now extended due to Republic Services, the City's solid waste collection services provider, experiencing a labor shortage due to a Republic represented employees' labor strike; and

**WHEREAS**, the disruption of solid waste collection service within the City since December 26, 2021 has created a threat to life and property in the City of North Bend and the surrounding community; and

**WHEREAS**, the disruption in solid waste collection service constitutes an emergency as defined by the North Bend Emergency Management Plan and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to North Bend Municipal Code Chapter 2.68 and RCW 35.33.081 and 39.04.280(2)(b);

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it proclaimed by the Mayor of the City of North Bend that an emergency exists in North Bend and the City of North Bend departments are authorized to do the following:

1. Enter into contracts and incur obligations to combat such emergency situations to protect the health and safety of persons and property; and
2. Provide appropriate emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster; and
3. Other emergency services, as appropriate.

Pursuant to 39.04.280(2)(b), each City of North Bend department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this proclamation in the light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time consuming procedure and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

It is the policy of the City of North Bend, King County, State of Washington, that no guarantee is implied by this plan of a perfect response system. As the City of North Bend, assets and systems may be overwhelmed, the City of North Bend can only endeavor to make every reasonable effort to respond based on the situation, and information and resources available at this time.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022

Mayor of the City of North Bend

Recommended by:

Director of Emergency Management  
Resolution 2008, Exhibit A

City Administrator