



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KELLI LINVILLE

CITY OF BELLINGHAM AMENDED PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2019, I issued a severe winter weather proclamation of emergency for the City of Bellingham as a result of severe winter storm conditions existing, and forecasted to continue, in the City of Bellingham; and

WHEREAS, there remains significant snow and ice on the ground from this storm throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, both Governor Jay Inslee and Whatcom County Executive Louws have issued Proclamations of Emergency in effect as long as the winter weather conditions continue; and

WHEREAS, the effects of this storm continue to impact the safety and welfare of citizens in all of Whatcom County, including the City of Bellingham; and

WHEREAS, state law recognizes the importance of intergovernmental cooperation and mutual aid during the course of emergency conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Kelli Linville, as a result of the above described situation and under RCW 35.33.081, RCW 38.52.070, RCW 38.52.110, and B.M.C. 2.57.010-070, do hereby proclaim that the Severe Winter Weather Proclamation issued February 8, 2019 remains in effect and is amended to include the additional order:

Order No. 4: I direct the City of Bellingham Office of Emergency Management to continue to work in collaboration with the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management to coordinate event-related assistance, monitor the ongoing situation, authorize use of appropriate facilities for emergency shelter, and assess the impacts of the storm.

This proclamation shall remain in full force and effect until terminated by issuance of a subsequent written order.

Signed this 15th day of February, 2019

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham

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AUTHORIZATION FOR WHATCOM COUNTY TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SHELTER

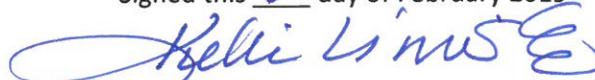
I, Mayor Kelli Linville of the City of Bellingham (City), make the following findings:

1. On February 11, 2019, I declared an emergency due to the severe winter weather conditions in the City.
2. Whatcom County (County) and the City have an unsheltered population of approximately 815 individuals (2018 Point in Time Count) that has limited options for temporary shelter within the City. While these shelters have not yet reached capacity, shelter providers are reporting stress due to the duration of the weather emergency. The provision of additional temporary shelter capacity on an emergency basis will substantially lessen stress on these existing facilities.
3. The County has requested authorization to use a portion of its office building at 322 North Commercial Street in Bellingham as a temporary emergency shelter (Facility) during this weather emergency.
4. The additional emergency shelter capacity provided by the Facility will lessen stress on other existing shelter facilities during this emergency and is in the public interest.
5. The City's Interim Building Official and the Fire Marshal have inspected the Facility and found it safe for overnight use by 41 persons.

I authorize the County's temporary emergency shelter, pursuant to emergency powers, under the following conditions:

1. Occupancy of the Facility shall be limited to 41 persons;
2. During the Facility's hours of operation, the Facility must be staffed by at least one County employee or authorized volunteer who must remain awake and able to call 911 in the event of any emergency;
3. No drugs and or alcohol may be used within the Facility;
4. Shelter guests must surrender weapons upon entry into the Facility; and
5. The authorization for the Facility is for the duration of the declared emergency and shall terminate immediately upon my issuance of a subsequent written order.

Signed this 15 day of February 2019



Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham