

**AGENDA
OF THE EMERGENCY MEETING
CITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS
THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

CALL OF ROLL:

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

1. Declaration for the local state of emergency.
2. Consider adopting Resolution No. 22-03-25 extending the period of local emergency for the City of East Grand Forks due to flooding of the Red River of the North and Red Lake River until the river levels return below the 28-foot flood stage.

ADJOURN:

Upcoming Meetings

Council Meeting – Tuesday, April 5, 2022 – Council Chambers – 5:00 PM
Work Session – Tuesday, April 12, 2022 – Training Room – 5:00 PM
Council Meeting – Tuesday, April 19, 2022 – Council Chambers – 5:00 PM
Work Session – Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – Training Room – 5:00 PM

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DECLARATION FOR LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, as Acting Mayor of East Grand Forks I find that the following situation exists:

Predicted flooding of the Red River of the North and the Red Lake River by the National Weather Service. The National Weather Service is predicting the river levels may reach 37 feet or higher.

WHEREAS, the river is considered to be at flood stage when it reaches 28 feet; and

WHEREAS, I find that conditions can change rapidly due to temperature change, ice blockages, or many other possible variables that can affect the flood waters; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Olstad, Acting Mayor of East Grand Forks declare this situation to be a local emergency effective because the river has reached flood stage of 28 feet.

This declaration of a local emergency will invoke the city’s disaster plan. The portions that are necessary for response to and recovery from the emergency must be used.

Date

Mark Olstad, Acting Mayor of East Grand Forks

ATTEST:

Megan Nelson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 22 – 03 - 25

RESOLUTION ENACTED UNDER AUTHORITY OF MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTIONS 12.29 AND 12.37 TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF AN ACTING-MAYOR-DECLARED LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE CITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS, COUNTY OF POLK DUE TO FLOODING OF THE RED RIVER OF THE NORTH AND THE RED LAKE RIVER.

WHEREAS, the Acting Mayor of East Grand Forks has found that the following situation exists:

Predicted flooding of the Red River of the North and the Red Lake River by the National Weather Service. The National Weather Service is predicting the river levels may reach 37 feet or higher.

WHEREAS, the acting mayor has declared that the situation is a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council agrees with the acting mayor’s findings and further finds that the situation will last for more than three days; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Forks, a municipal corporation under the laws of Minnesota, has sustain severe losses of a major proportion, brought on by the flooding of the Red River of the North and the Red Lake River in said city; and

WHEREAS, flood stage in the City of East Grand Forks is at an elevation of 28 feet, the elevation of said rivers in said city have been projected to crest at 37 feet or higher; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Grand Forks is a public entity within the County of Polk, State of Minnesota;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA AS FOLLOWS:

1. The city council declares that the local emergency is recognized as continuing until the river levels return below the 28-foot flood stage.
2. This declaration of a local emergency will invoke the City’s disaster plan and the portions that are necessary for response to and recovery from the emergency must be used.
3. The City Council requests the Polk County Board declare for and on behalf of the citizens of East Grand Forks and the County of Polk a “STATE OF EMERGENCY” resulting from the flooding conditions from the Red River of the North and the Red Lake River.

Voting Aye:

Voting Nay:

The President declared the resolution passed.

Passed: March 24, 2022

Attest:

City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

President of Council

I hereby approve the foregoing resolution this 24th of March, 2022.

Mayor