

**AGENDA
OF THE EMERGENCY MEETING
CITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS
MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022 – 5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

CALL OF ROLL:

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

1. Consider adopting Resolution No. 22-04-35 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

Work Session – Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – Training Room – 5:00 PM
Council Meeting – Tuesday, May 3, 2022 – Council Chambers – 5:00 PM
Work Session – Tuesday, May 10, 2022 – Training Room – 5:00 PM
Council Meeting – Tuesday, May 17, 2022 – Council Chambers – 5:00 PM

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Megan Nelson

From: EGF Mayor Steve Gander
Sent: Saturday, April 23, 2022 1:35 PM
To: David Murphy; Mark Olstad; Tim Riopelle; Clarence Vetter; EGF City; Tim Johnson; Marc Demers; Brian Larson; Megan Nelson; Jason Stordahl; Steve Emery (Steve.Emery@widseth.com); mike hedlund; Jeff Boushee
Subject: Local State of Emergency

Good afternoon all:

Please see the text below for a Local State of Emergency Declaration.

April 23, 2022

As Mayor of East Grand Forks, I find the following situation exists:

There is predicted flooding of the Red River of the North and Red Lake Rivers by the National Weather Service, with current crest predictions to reach 47.5 feet or higher.

The Red River at East Grand Forks is considered to be a flood stage when it reaches 28 feet, and we are currently at 31.14 feet and rising rapidly.

This, combined with heavy rain runoff and ground saturation within our flood control system, will cause significant impact.

These conditions can change suddenly and may require the response of all available City crews on short notice at any hour of the day or night.

Therefore, I, Steven Gander, Mayor of East Grand Forks, declare the situation to be a Local State of Emergency effective immediately, which will invoke the City's Disaster Plan. Those portions that are necessary for response and recovery from the emergency must be used.

I also request that an emergency City Council meeting be set for this Monday, April 25, 2022, at 5:30 PM for the City Council to act on this Local State of Emergency Declaration.

Thanks,

Steve Gander

Mayor, East Grand Forks, MN



RESOLUTION NO. 22 – 04 - 35

RESOLUTION ENACTED UNDER AUTHORITY OF MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTIONS 12.29 AND 12.37 TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF A 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 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 47.5 feet or higher.

WHEREAS, the mayor has declared the situation was a local state of emergency on Saturday, April 23, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council agrees with the 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 47.5 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 state of 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: April 25, 2022

Attest:

City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

President of Council

I hereby approve the foregoing resolution this 25th of April, 2022.

Mayor