

CHAPTER 6

EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT

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6.01 POLICY AND PURPOSE. (1) Emergency Government shall mean the preparation for and carrying out of all emergency functions, other than for which the military forces are primarily responsible, to minimize and repair injury and damage resulting from disasters caused by enemy action, sabotage or hostile action, or from fire, flood or other natural causes.

(2) By reason of the increasing possibility of disaster of unprecedented size and destruction, the frequent occurrence of natural disasters, and to insure that plans and organizations shall be adequate to cope with such disasters and to provide for the common defense, to protect the public peace, health, safety, general welfare and economic stability, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the City, it is hereby declared necessary:

(a) To establish a City emergency government ordinance as provided by Section 166.03(4), Wis. Stats.

(b) To provide for the exercise of necessary powers during emergencies.

(c) To provide for appropriate coordination of City emergency government efforts and organizations with that of the 2 counties in which the City is located, Calumet and Manitowoc Counties.

(d) To provide for joint emergency government activities by the Emergency Government Director for the City, in cooperation and coordination with representatives of other political subdivisions, among them Calumet and Manitowoc Counties.

6.02 EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR. (1) APPOINTMENT. An Emergency Government Director shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council, for the purpose of being the head of emergency government services in the City. The Emergency Government Director shall be responsible, in coordination with the emergency government directors of Calumet and Manitowoc Counties, for compliance with all the provisions established by Ch. 166, Wis. Stats., for development and implementation of an emergency government plan for the City. The Emergency Government Director may be paid a salary as set by the City Council and shall, on appointment, take and file an oath of office as required by law. The term of appointment shall be one year, renewable for additional one year periods, so long as the Emergency Government Director observes good and proper conduct in the discharge of his duties and responsibilities.

(2) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Emergency Government Director shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

(a) To develop standard operating procedures for the City, consistent with

the emergency government plans for Calumet and Manitowoc Counties, State emergency government plans and Section 166.03, Wis. Stats.

(b) To direct local emergency government training programs and exercises, participation in emergency government programs and exercises ordered by the heads of emergency government services in Calumet and Manitowoc Counties and by the Secretary of the State Department of Administration.

(c) To advise the heads of emergency government services for Calumet and Manitowoc Counties on local emergency government programs and to submit to the County heads of emergency government services such reports as they may require.

(d) To contract on behalf of the City with any person to provide equipment and services on a cost basis to be used in disaster relief, during the continuance of a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor.

(e) To coordinate an emergency government plan and program pursuant to the duties and responsibilities set forth in the Calumet and Manitowoc Counties' plans and such other duties as may be assigned to the Emergency Government Director by the Calumet or Manitowoc Counties' Emergency Government Directors.

6.03 UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES. In preparing and executing the emergency government plan, the Emergency Government Director shall utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the City to the extent practicable, and the officers and personnel of the departments and agencies of the City are directed to provide services, facilities and equipment as may be required.

6.04 FINANCES. (1) OFFICE AND STAFF. The City shall provide offices, office furniture, stenographic help and such office supplies as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Emergency Government Director and the cost thereof shall be defrayed by the City, with the help of any matching funds which may be available through Calumet and Manitowoc Counties, the State or federal government.

(2) MAJOR EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES. Cost of equipment and services shall be borne 100% by the City requiring procurement of such

equipment and services, with federal matching funds procured by the Joint Action Emergency Government when applicable. Federal matching reimbursements are to be returned to the City Treasurer where the City has procured the equipment or services.

6.05 EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. Whenever necessary to meet a duly proclaimed emergency, the Emergency Government Director, in cooperation with the Calumet and/or Manitowoc Counties' Emergency Government Directors, as authorized by the Mayor, may cause to be enforced such orders, rules and regulations as shall be deemed necessary to protect the public peace, health and safety, preservation of lives and property, and to preserve the economic stability, insure cooperation and regulate the conduct of the public. Such rules, regulations and orders shall be posted in 3 public places and may be changed, rescinded or amended at any time by the City Council or by order of the Mayor.

6.06 WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE. All emergency government personnel within the City shall be enrolled members of the Calumet and/or Manitowoc Counties' Office of Emergency Government and shall be considered to be employees of such County offices of emergency government within the meaning of Section 166.03(8), Wis. Stats.

6.07 DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY. Upon receipt in the City of an attack warning, or upon declaration by the President, Governor, Chairman of the County Board of Calumet County or Manitowoc County or the Mayor, of an emergency, the Emergency Government Director shall see that all proclamations have been issued and disseminated with reference to the state of emergency and shall cause such emergency plans and operations to be placed into effect as are deemed necessary to cope with the situation. No such declaration of emergency issued by the Mayor shall extend beyond a 60-day period unless so approved by the Council.

6.08 INTERFERENCE WITH EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT PROHIBITED. No person shall willfully obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the emergency government organization in the enforcement of any order, rule, regulation or plan issued pursuant to the authority contained in this chapter.

6.15 PENALTY. Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter, or any order, rule or regulation made hereunder, shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Section 25.04 of the Municipal Code.