

CHAPTER 8

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

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SECTION:

4-8-1: Definitions

4-8-2: Recovery

4-8-3: Effective Date

4-8-1: **DEFINITIONS:** As used in this Chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following words shall mean:

DISASTER OR EMERGENCY: A situation causing or threatening to cause widespread damage, social disruption, or injury or loss of life or property resulting from attack, internal disturbance, natural phenomena or technological hazard.

EXPENSES: Actual labor costs of the City and voluntary personnel including worker's compensation and other benefits, administrative overhead, costs of equipment, costs of equipment operation, costs of materials, and the costs of any contract labor and materials.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY: A sudden and unexpected release of any substance that, because of its quantity, concentration, or physical, chemical, or infectious characteristics, presents a direct and immediate threat to public safety or the environment and requires immediate action to mitigate the threat.

TECHNOLOGICAL HAZARD: Any hazardous materials accident, mine accident, train derailment, air crash, radiation incident, pollution, structural fire, or explosion.

4-8-2: **RECOVERY:** The Mayor is authorized and directed to take all necessary action to recover, on behalf of the City, from those persons whose negligent actions

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caused hazardous materials emergency expenses incurred by the City directly associated with a response to such hazardous materials emergency.

4-8-3: **EFFECTIVE DATE:** This ordinance modification shall become effective immediately upon adoption and posting in the manner provided by law.