

Chapter 2.48.030 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Section A: Purpose and Creation

The city recognizes that a vital aspect of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry is to be prepared for emergencies and to promote and assist with the preparedness of residents. The city also recognizes that dedicated volunteers working in conjunction with professional staff are a great resource for emergency preparedness.

Therefore, West Bountiful City hereby establishes the Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee to formalize and structure citizen input and service for the purpose of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens.

Section B: General Organization

- i. The Committee shall be under the supervision of the Chief of Police, who shall serve as a non-voting chairperson. The board will elect a vice chairperson from among its members.
- ii. With the advice and consent of the City Council, the Mayor shall appoint five (5) voting members and one (1) non-voting city council liaison.
- iii. Members serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.
- iv. Upon notice to the City Council, the Mayor may remove members, without cause.
- v. Members shall serve for staggered, four-year terms. Members may be appointed for consecutive terms.
- vi. The Committee shall follow all requirements of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.
- vii. A simple majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum. In addition, meetings may be held only if the Chief of Police or designee is available.
- viii. It is expected that meetings will be held once a month.
- ix. The Committee may adopt reasonable rules, not inconsistent with this chapter and applicable law, by which it conducts its business.

Section C: Committee Duties

The duties and responsibilities of the Committee, in addition to such others as the City Council may from time to time prescribe, shall be to assist the Chief of Police by:

- i. Providing advice and making recommendations relative to the City's ability to respond swiftly and responsibly to emergencies in order to save life and minimize loss of property.
- ii. Preparing for City Council approval an emergency preparedness plan and any needed updates.
- iii. Keeping abreast of federal and state laws, regulations and policies pertaining to emergency response.
- iv. Promoting emergency preparedness in the community.
- v. Coordinating neighborhood volunteers for emergency response.
- vi. Preparing grant applications for the purpose of enhancing, diversifying and expanding sources of emergency preparedness funds.

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