

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation of "Emergency Preparedness Month"
DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK
PRESENTED BY: Scott Passey, City Clerk

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

Every year disasters disrupt hundred of thousands of lives, and being prepared for such emergencies can reduce fear, anxiety and losses that might otherwise occur. The month of September has been declared "National Preparedness and Weather Radio Awareness Month," and this proclamation declares September 2007 as "Emergency Preparedness Month" in the City of Shoreline.

Citizens are encouraged to implement emergency preparedness measures at home, at work, and in their vehicles as part of the overall emergency preparedness programs of our community and state. They are invited to attend the Safety Fair on September 15, 2007 at the Fred Meyer Parking lot, 185th and Aurora. They are also encouraged to start a Ready Neighborhood program in their neighborhood. Information on this can be obtained from visiting the City's Web site or contacting our Emergency Management Coordinator, Gail Marsh.

Gail Marsh, Emergency Management Coordinator, will be at the meeting to accept the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required.

Approved By:  City Manager _____ City Attorney _____



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every year disasters disrupt hundred of thousands of lives, and being prepared for such emergencies can reduce fear, anxiety and losses that might otherwise occur; and

WHEREAS, September has been declared "National Preparedness and Weather Radio Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, all Shoreline residents should increase their knowledge and awareness of emergency preparedness actions they can take to make themselves and their families self-sufficient for at least three days following a natural or man-made disaster or an act of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, the use of information from National Oceanic and Atmospheric weather radios, which are available for purchase commercially, can reduce the loss of life and property from all hazards by sounding a warning alarm at any time around the clock; and

WHEREAS, the City is a source of information about how citizens can prepare themselves for an emergency; and

WHEREAS, individual preparedness leads to local, state and national preparedness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Ransom, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2007 as

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH

in the City of Shoreline and urge all our citizens to implement emergency preparedness measures at home, at work, and in their vehicle as part of the overall emergency preparedness programs of our community and our state.

Robert Ransom
Mayor of Shoreline