

City of Neptune Beach Declaration of Emergency

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Hurricane Idalia threatens to disrupt normal city activities and services; and

Whereas, the approach of Hurricane Idalia, with potentially damaging winds, heavy rains and forecasted storm surge creates emergency endangering the safety, health, and welfare of the City of Neptune Beach, its citizens and visitors; and

Whereas, the threat of flooding, property damage, and personal injury are attendant and imminent, disaster emergency conditions are expected within the next 48-72 hours; now, therefore,

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE CITY COUNCIL BY SECTION 2-502 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, DOES HEREBY DECLARE THAT:

Declaration of Emergency due to Hurricane Idalia. A declaration of emergency to all section of the City of Neptune Beach exists because of the imminence of Hurricane Idalia. Such emergency consists of, but is not limited to flooding, high winds, property damage and injuries to residents of the City from flying debris and other conditions attendant to hurricane force winds and rain, all endangering the safety, health, and welfare of the City of Neptune Beach residents and visitors.

Form of the State of Declaration of Emergency. The state of declaration of emergency, as declared herein, shall last until such time as the threat of or danger from the emergency no longer exists. At the time it is found that the emergency no longer, this Declaration shall be automatically terminated however, this declaration shall not continue for longer than thirty (30) days, from the date hereof, unless renewed in accordance with Section 2-502(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

Instructions to Public Safety Personnel. We hereby instruct all public safety personnel to include, but not limited to the Police Department, Public Works Department and any designee of the City Manager, to exercise all authorities to alleviate this situation in accordance with the terms of Article VIII, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances and Florida law.

This Declaration of Emergency was adopted by the City Council of Neptune Beach, Florida, at an Emergency Council Meeting held this 29th day of August, 2023.

Elaine Brown, Mayor

ATTEST.

Catherine Ponson, City Clerk