



**New Brighton City Council
Work Session Agenda
New Brighton City Hall | Council Chambers
803 Old Hwy 8 NW, New Brighton , MN 55112
5:00 PM April 22, 2025**

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I. Work Session Item

1. Emergency Management



Agenda Section:	Work Session Item
Report Date:	04/17/2025
Meeting Date:	April 22, 2025

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Emergency Management

Action Requested:	
Public Hearing	Motion
<u>DiscussionX</u>	<u>Informational X</u>
Form of Action:	
Resolution	Ordinance
Contract/Agreement	<u>N/A or OtherX</u>
Votes Needed:	
3 Votes	4 Votes
5 Votes	<u>N/A</u>

Summary Statement:	Emergency Management roles and responsibilities for local elected officials.
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Recommendations:	Receive the presentation from Public Safety and ask clarifying questions about Council roles and responsibilities.
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Applicable Deadlines:	N/A
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Community Impact:	N/A
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Legislative History:	Council last received a similar presentation from State Homeland Security and Emergency Management in February 2019.
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Strategic Priority:	Financial Sustainability	Staff Capabilities
	Economic Development	Community Engagement & Belonging
	<u>City Assets</u>	<u>Operational Effectiveness</u>
		N/A

Fiscal Impact:	Financial Impact: Is there a financial consideration?		<u>NoX</u>	Yes \$
	Financing Sources:	Budgeted	Budget Modification	
	New Revenue	Use of Reserves	Other	

City of New Brighton

Emergency Management

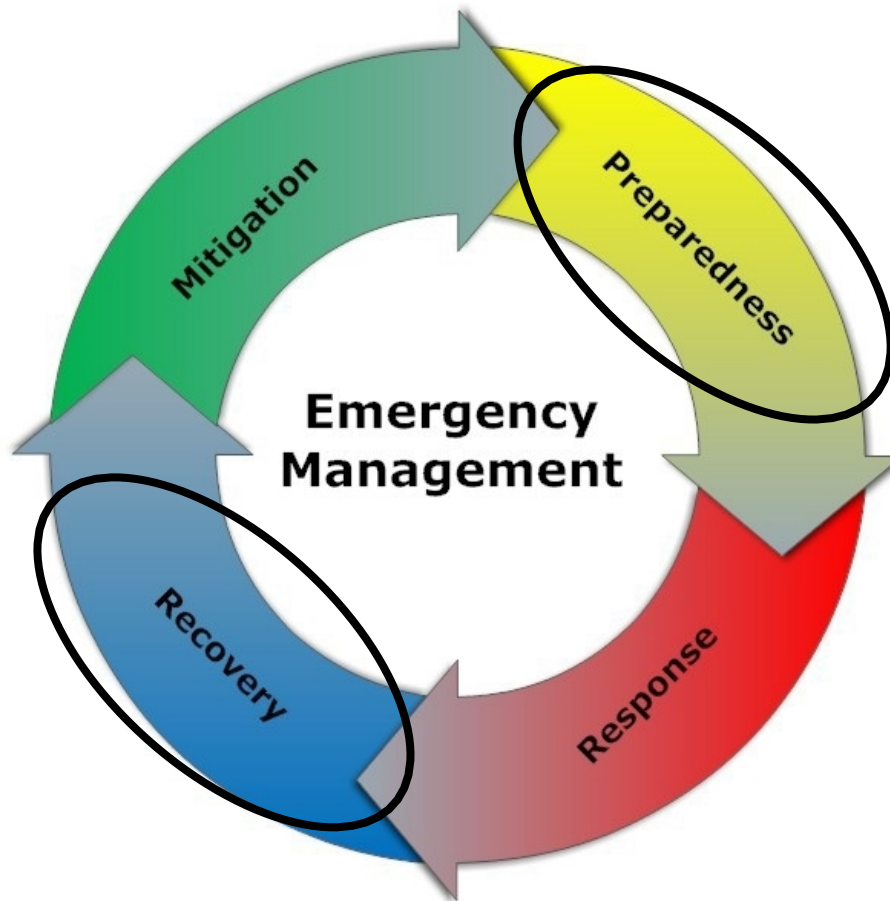
Briefing

April 22, 2026



Emergency Management Background

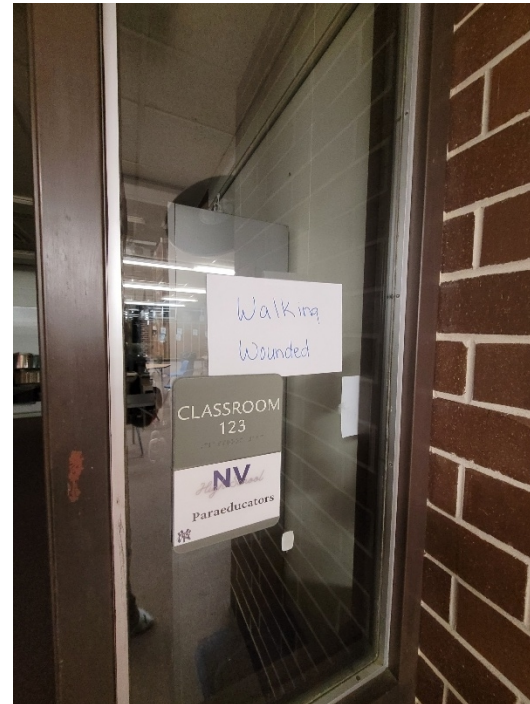
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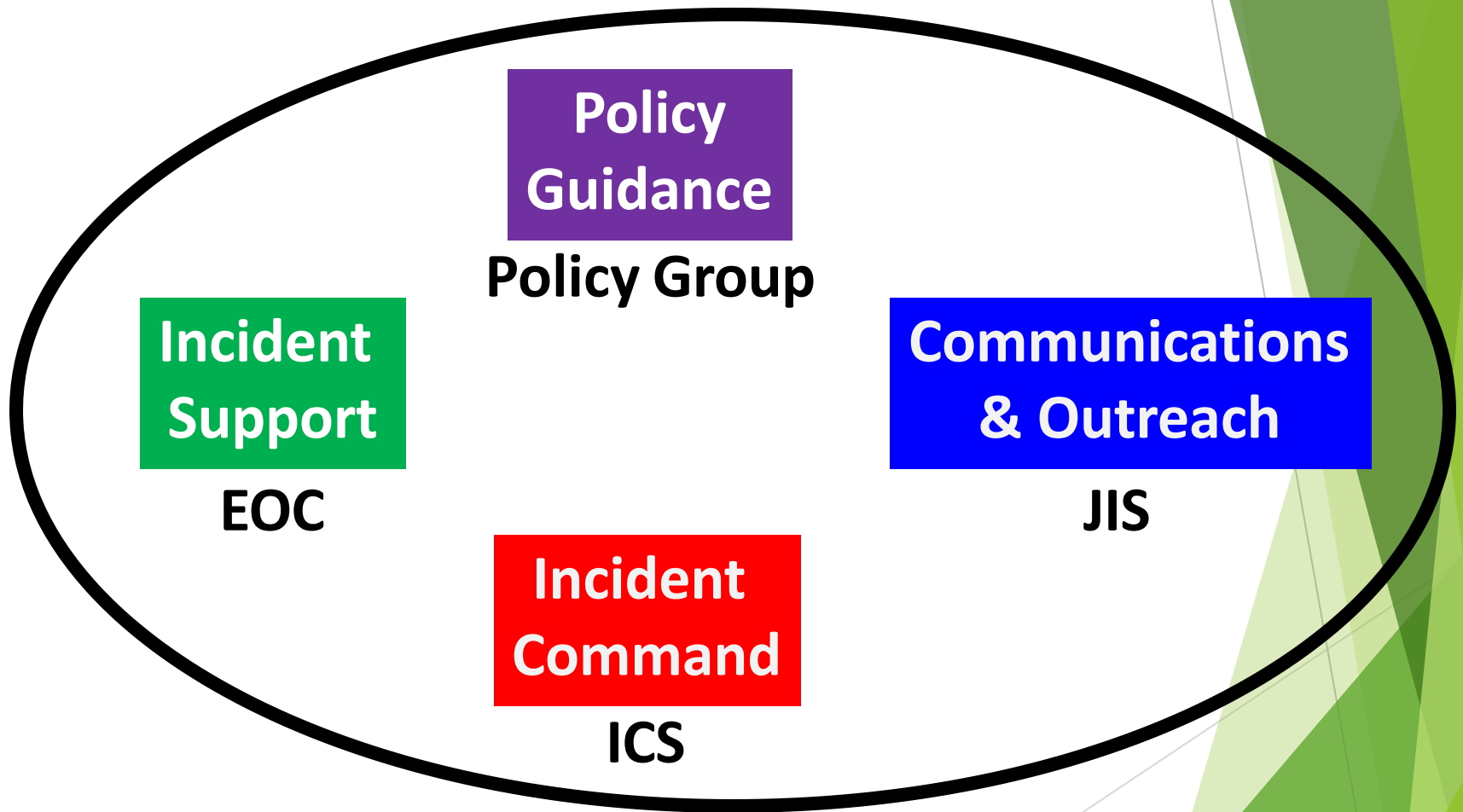
Incident Priorities

Initial decisions and objectives are established based on the following priorities:

- #1:** Life Safety.
- #2:** Incident Stabilization.
- #3:** Property/Environmental Conservation.
- #4:** Return to Normalcy.



Command and Coordination



Incident Management Roles

Incident Commander's Role:

- Manages the incident at the scene.
- Keeps the EOC informed on all important matters pertaining to the incident.

Policy Group Role:

Provide the Incident Commander:

- Policy
- Priorities
- Mission
- Strategic direction
- Resources
- Authority

To maintain unity of command and the safety of responders, the chain of command must NOT be bypassed

What is ICS?

The Incident Command System:

- Is a standardized, on-scene, all-hazards incident management concept.
- Allows its users to adopt an integrated organizational structure to match the complexities and demands of single or multiple incidents without being hindered by jurisdictional boundaries.



Incident Command System

Who Does What?

Command: Overall responsibility for the incident. Sets objectives.

Finance/Admin: Monitors costs related to the incident. Provides overall fiscal guidance.

Incident Commander

Operations Section

Planning Section

Logistics Section

Finance/Admin Section

Operations: Develops the tactical organization and directs all resources to carry out the Incident Action Plan.

Planning: Develops the Incident Action Plan to accomplish the objectives.

Logistics: Provides resources and all other services needed to support the incident.

Policy Group

Typical Policy Issues

- Information requirements.
- Emergency declaration.
- Resource allocations.
- Evacuations.
- Protection priorities.
- Recovery guidance and priorities.
- Request for disaster declaration.
- Key messages.



Responsibilities and Functions

- Get training before the incident.
- Take care of personal requirements.
- Be informed.
- Exercise leadership.
- Consult with legal advisors.
- Maintain political awareness.
- Keep the public informed.



Maintain Political Awareness

- Recognize personal accountability for actions and decisions.
- Establish protocol for updating other public officials.
- Evaluate policy decisions throughout the incident.
- Confer with other elected officials on difficult issues.
- Use elected officials to circumvent unresponsive normal channels.



Information

◆ *Receive initial incident briefing and ongoing updates:*

- Incident size up.
- Injuries/fatalities.
- Property/environmental damage.
- Economic impact.
- Resources required.
- Coordination.
- Media.

***Your best source
of information is
the EOC.***



Speak with One Voice



- Policy group must coordinate and integrate messages with on-scene public information officers (PIO) and other agencies.
- A joint information system (JIS) is used to help ensure message coordination.
- Understand the impact of social media.

Emergency Powers Under a Local Declaration

- Invokes emergency operations plans.
- Authorizes powers to “fast provide emergency aid.”
- Enter into contracts and incur obligations to protect health and safety and provide emergency assistance.
- Bypass compliance with time-consuming procedures and formalities for purchasing, contracting, employing temporary workers, renting equipment, etc.
- Expedite appropriation and expenditure of public funds, budget requirements, etc.
- Meets requirement for disaster declarations.
- Done by the Mayor-Expires in 3 days unless adopted by body as a whole

Federal Assistance Overview

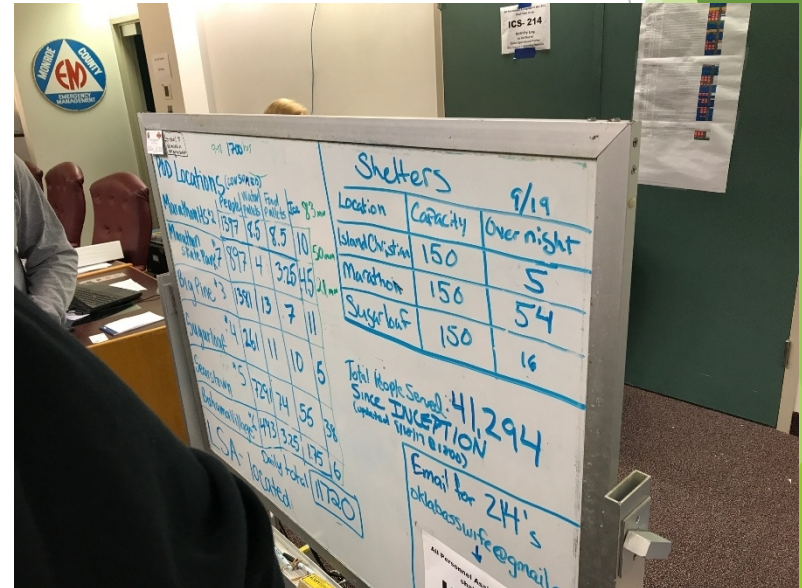
Public Assistance (PA)

- Repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster damaged publicly owned facilities.
- Federal and state.



Individual Assistance (IA)

- Disaster-related needs not covered by insurance for individuals, families, and small business owners.
- Federal only.*



Federal & State Public Assistance (PA) Programs for Infrastructure

The state and/or county must meet certain damage thresholds to qualify for assistance (i.e., reimbursement) for uninsured damages:

- Debris removal.
- Emergency protective measures.
- Roads and bridges.
- Water control facilities.
- Buildings and equipment.
- Utilities.
- Parks, recreational, and other.



Federal Individual Assistance (IA) and Supplemental State Assistance.

- Individual and households programs (IHP).
 - Housing assistance.
 - Other needs.
- Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster loan programs.
 - Home and personal property loans.
 - Business physical disaster and economic injury loans.
- Other programs.
 - Disaster unemployment assistance.
 - Disaster legal services.
 - Crisis counseling assistance.
 - Disaster case management.
- State “Chapter 12A” supplemental assistance for individuals includes:
 - “Quick Start” loan program.
 - Long term recovery coordination.



FEMA

Federal & State Programs for Public Assistance (PA) for Infrastructure Eligibility Requirements

Federal “Stafford Act” assistance (FEMA)



- 2025 state indicator: \$10,785,273.66
 - \$1.89 per capita
- 2025 Ramsey County indicator: \$2,607,115.60
 - \$4.72 per capita
- 75/25 federal/state cost share

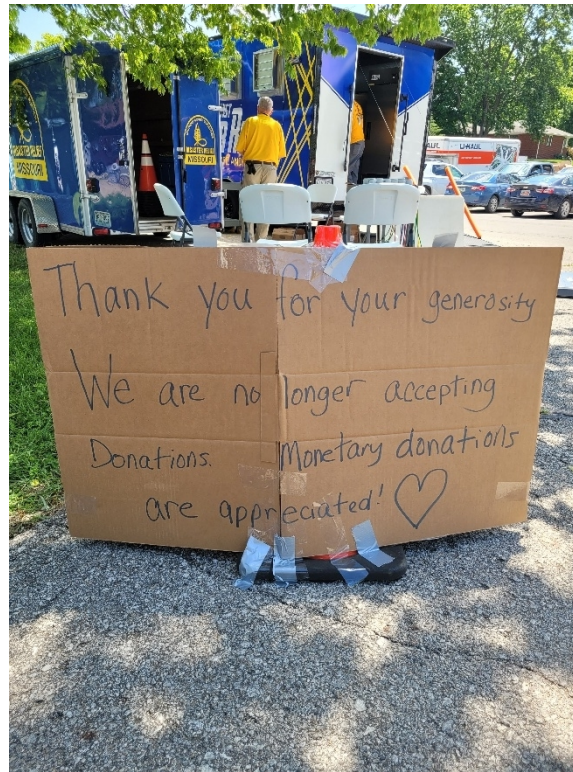
State “Chapter 12B” assistance (DPS)

- 2025 county indicator: \$1,303,557.80
- 75/25 state/local cost share

Historic Emergency Management Friction Points

Donations Management

- ◆ People want to help
- ◆ What do people donate
- ◆ Asking for items requires additional overhead support
 - ◆ Warehousing
 - ◆ Documentation
 - ◆ Retail
 - ◆ Transportation
 - ◆ Finances



Damage Assessment

- ◆ Gathering information to determine scope of event
- ◆ Field based with central collection
- ◆ Identify public and private damage
- ◆ Reimbursement
- ◆ Drivers
 - ◆ Debris management
 - ◆ Resource Allocation
 - ◆ Access Control
 - ◆ Needs



Debris Management

- ◆ Legal requirements for debris removal
- ◆ Who is responsible for the debris removal
 - ◆ Individuals v. Government
 - ◆ Costs
 - ◆ Items
 - ◆ Timelines
 - ◆ Contractors
 - ◆ Purchasing Process
- ◆ Where will it go in a fully developed community?



Volunteer Management

- ◆ People will want to help
- ◆ What will they do
- ◆ How will they be verified and tracked
 - ◆ Volunteer hours count for cost sharing
 - ◆ Liability
 - ◆ PPE
 - ◆ Security
- ◆ Tasking
- ◆ Non-Governmental Organizations



Emergency Management in New Brighton

New Brighton Preparedness

- ◆ Countywide Emergency Operations Plan
- ◆ Countywide Hazard Mitigation Plan (*updated plan will be presented for approval in 2025*)
- ◆ Stand-by Preparations
 - ◆ Non-Published Stand-by Websites
 - ◆ Standing EOC
 - ◆ First-Net
 - ◆ Everbridge
 - ◆ Supplies
- ◆ Training
 - ◆ Ongoing Yearly Training
 - ◆ Integrated into normal operations (IAP's and ICS use)
 - ◆ Specialized Training for Staff
- ◆ Exercises
 - ◆ New Brighton conducted two full scale active shooter exercises per year
 - ◆ At least one other active shooter exercise in the area staff participate in
 - ◆ Full Scale Exercises

Recent New Brighton Events

- ◆ 5 Tornadoes in or within 5 miles of central New Brighton
- ◆ 2011 Heavy Rain Event
- ◆ 2013 Heavy Rain Event***
- ◆ 2019 Flooding***
- ◆ 2020 COVID***
- ◆ 2021 Metro Civil Unrest
- ◆ 2023 Fridley POTUS Visit

****Denotes Federal Disaster Declaration*



New Brighton Seeks Financial Assistance Due to July 16 Flooding



New Brighton city officials are asking for disaster assistance from the U.S. Small Business Administration because of the July 16 flooding.

The city officials submitted a letter to Ramsey County asking for financial help and said in a statement that they are also continuing to research programs to help residents and

businesses recover.

One such program is the Habitat for Humanity Brush with Kindness program, which can be found at tchabitat.org.

Another available program is the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency affordable housing program, found at mnhousing.gov.

Community Action Partnership is also accepting applications from storm victims in Ramsey and Washington Counties. The organization provides a low-interest loan up to \$4,000 for families to purchase a car. They also guide families through the car-buying process.

For more information about the disposal of water-damaged items, visit ci.new-brighton.mn.us.

New Brighton Staff Experience

- ◆ 2005 Hurricane Rita-Louisiana (Fire Strike Team)
- ◆ 2008 Republican National Convention (Police Strike Teams)
- ◆ 2009 Moorhead Flooding (Fire Strike Team)
- ◆ 2011 Minneapolis Tornado (SWAT Overwatch)
- ◆ 2012 Carlton County Flooding (IMT)
- ◆ 2012 Hurricane Sandy-New York (IMT)
- ◆ 2012 Sartell Verso Paper Fire (Fire Chiefs Support)
- ◆ 2014 MLB All-Star Game (IMT)
- ◆ 2014 Waterville Flooding (IMT)
- ◆ 2015 Becker Power Plant Fire (Fire Strike Team)
- ◆ 2016 Taylor Road Wildfire (IMT)
- ◆ 2016 Meeker County Tornado (IMT)
- ◆ 2017 Hurricane Irma-Florida (IMT)
- ◆ 2018 Super Bowl LII (Police Strike Teams/MACC)
- ◆ 2019 NCAA Final Four (MACC)
- ◆ 2019 Saint Anthony 1st Amendment (Police/Fire Task Forces/IMT)
- ◆ 2020 COVID State Mass Testing Site/State Hospital Coordinating Center (IMT)
- ◆ 2020 Northern Metal Scrapyard Fire (IMT)
- ◆ 2020 Fridley Fire LODD (New Brighton Event)
- ◆ 2020 Metro Civil Disturbances (SWAT)
- ◆ 2022 Koochiching County Flooding (IMT)
- ◆ 2024 Adair County Iowa Tornado (IMT)



Questions???

