



# City of Norman, OK

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title

RESOLUTION NO. R-1213-148: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, DECLARING THAT, DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF DEBRIS LEFT BY THE MAY 19, 2013, TORNADO, THE CITY OF NORMAN IS IN A STATE OF DEBRIS-RELATED PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO HAVE THE DEBRIS REMOVED FROM PRIVATE ROADS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE IMMEDIATE THREATS TO LIFE, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND SAFETY, AND TO ELIMINATE THREATS OF SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO IMPROVED PROPERTY; AND TO ENSURE THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY OF THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY TO BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE.

Body

Resolution No. R- 1213-148 has been added to the May 28, 2013 City Council Meeting Agenda. The Resolution is necessary in order to apply for FEMA reimbursement for removal of debris on private streets and private property as a result of the May 19, 2013, tornado in Norman. The proposed Resolution is written to comply with federal law. It has been added to the agenda because, if the City wishes to receive FEMA reimbursement, FEMA must approve funding before any clean-up work is begun. The proposed Resolution declares that there is a substantial amount of debris from the May 19, 2013 tornado, and that, as a result, the City of Norman is in a state of a debris-related public health emergency. In addition, the Resolution states that it is in the public interest to have debris removed from private property in order to eliminate immediate threats to life, public health, and safety; and to eliminate threats of significant damage to improved property; and to ensure the economic recovery of the affected community to benefit the community-at-large. It also declares the City Council's intention to direct the City Manager to manage a clean-up effort that will require City staff or contractors to enter onto private roads and private property with the written consent of the property owners.