

ORDINANCE No 1 SERIES OF 1942

BEING AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE, CREATING A MUNICIPAL DEFENSE COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, by Executive Order signed on May 20, 1941, created the Office of Civilian Defense in the Office for Emergency Management, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Civilian Defense has requested the cooperation and assistance of all municipalities in carrying out the Civilian Defense program, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to coordinate all municipal defense activity in one municipal agency, Now therefore,

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Fort Collins

SECTION 1 There is hereby created the Municipal Defense Council of the City of Fort Collins to be composed of the Mayor as Chairman and such other persons, not exceeding eleven in number, as the Mayor may appoint from time to time. The Mayor shall designate one of the members so appointed as Vice Chairman who shall be the Coordinator for the City of Fort Collins. Each member of the Municipal Defense Council shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor or until the repeal of this ordinance.

SECTION 2 The Municipal Defense Council shall have full and plenary powers to employ such persons as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Council. These persons shall be subject, however, to all regulations now provided by law governing this municipality.

SECTION 3 The Municipal Defense Council shall be charged with the duty of coordinating all defense activities of this City.

It shall

(1) Coordinate the activities of municipal and private agencies cooperating in the defense program,

(2) Keep in contact with the Office of Civilian Defense to the end that all requests and suggestions from that Office shall receive prompt and efficient response,

(3) Conduct studies regarding defense problems of the City of Fort Collins to the end that the municipal government of the City of Fort Collins will at all times be abreast of the problems of defense, and information desired by Federal agencies will be readily available,

(4) Survey existing facilities, proffers of facilities, services and ideas originating within the city and make appropriate disposition of them,

(5) Act as a clearinghouse on municipal defense information for all governmental and private agencies cooperating in the defense program,

(6) Direct information regarding the defense program to all municipal departments or agencies which are or may be affected thereby,

(7) Make recommendations, from time to time, for improvements in the handling of defense problems affecting the City of Fort Collins,

(8) Perform such other advisory functions as may be requested by agencies or departments of the Federal Government in connection with the National Defense program,

(9) Do whatever is necessary and proper to carry out the intent and purpose of this ordinance, tending to protect life and property.

SECTION 4 The Municipal Defense Council may expedite procedure by organizing itself into subcommittees and may subdivide its work and prescribe such rules and regulations as are not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance. It shall prescribe the training regulations. It may delegate the authority of preliminary hearings for dismissal of voluntary workers to the heads of Departments.

