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Memorandum

Date: 27 October 2021
To: The Greenleaf Community
cc:
From: Lee C. Belt, City Clerk
RE: EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Greetings!

Greenleaf City Code §5-6-2 encourages emergency preparedness training and stockpile of nonperishable supplies to sustain households for a period of at least 96 hours (4 days) so that residents can care for themselves and for others in time of emergency. Also, City Hall has for several years included “Do 1 Thing” flyers in monthly utility billing to encourage preparedness (please contact city hall if a complete “Do 1 Thing” set is desired).

When Covid-19 manifested itself in early 2020, the Greenleaf Community demonstrated resilience and chose compassion as an outgrowth from the independent spirit of the community by coming together to survey for those in need and to assist with transportation and supplies.

We continue to live in interesting times. Current national and international supply chain issues have led to product shortages in a situation that is likely to get worse before it gets better. The four days preparation in City Code may not be sufficient.

City staff recommends that residents inventory supplies and recognize that needed and desired items may have limited availability in months ahead. City staff recommends that each household develop a reserve stock of needed and desired items to provide a reasonable buffer against future product shortages, to both provide for their households and to create capacity to share with others if need be.

This can be done prudently, without fear or hoarding, and for example can be as simple as keeping on hand an extra box or two of laundry soap beyond the box that is currently in use, with this concept extended across identified items in the household.

Respectfully submitted,

LCB