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BURNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL DECLARES LOCAL EMERGENCY TO ASSIST WITH CLEAN-UP FROM AUGUST 27 STORM

The Burnsville City Council took action Tuesday to provide assistance for homeowners with clean-up efforts for damage caused by the August 27 storm. The Council declared a local emergency and budget amendment that will allow the city to contract to pick up damaged trees.

The action taken by the Council only involves trees damaged in the storm and the effort will be conducted under the following timelines and guidelines:

- Storm damaged tree debris pick-up will begin on Tuesday, September 4.
- Debris should be placed on the boulevard near the curb, but not in the street.
- Tree debris must be cut into a maximum of 8 foot lengths.
- City crews will not pick-up construction debris or leaf bags.
- Residents wishing to have their storm debris picked up by the City must have it on the boulevard no later than Sunday, September 16.

Funding for the storm clean-up will be provided through a general fund reserve which the Council maintains specifically for emergencies and unforeseen contingencies. Based on a similar storm clean-up effort conducted in 1998, it is estimated that \$250,000 will be necessary to complete the work. The clean-up effort is a one-time opportunity based on the impact of the August 27 storm.

Residents are responsible for getting debris to the boulevard for pick up by the city. Homeowners are also able to pursue other methods for tree removal and disposal should they desire. A list of resources to assist residents in these efforts is listed on the www.burnsville.org web site.

For more information please contact the City of Burnsville at 952-895-4550.

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