

ANNEX C - CIVIL DISTURBANCE

I. SITUATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situations

1. A civil disturbance emergency situation could develop at any time.
2. Well organized unlawful activities can be expected to be directed towards governmental agencies, public utilities and the private sector.

B. Assumptions

1. The Thatcher Police Department has the capability to preserve the peace and to suppress civil disturbances.
2. Assistance from outside agencies may be required to support The Thatcher Police Department efforts through IGA's.

II. MISSION

To coordinate emergency operations and resources to save lives, protect property and restore order in the event of a civil disturbance.

III. EXECUTION

A. Concept of Operations

1. The Town Council has the overall responsibility for actions taken to control civil disturbances including demonstrations and unlawful acts ranging from passive disobedience to mass insurrection.
2. The Town Police Chief will assume control of operations and will prescribe operational procedures.
3. The plan will consist of two phases:

Phase I	Notification of a pending or active civil disturbance. It is designed to be a partial commitment of forces to cope with the situation or to prepare the organization for a Phase II alert.
Phase II	Begins when the disturbance is serious enough to require the application of massive counter forces or the situation becomes too critical for the forces already on hand to control.
4. The execution of Phase I will be upon direction of the Town of Thatcher Police Chief or the onsite Incident Commander.

5. The execution of Phase II will be upon direction of the EOC.
6. Operational control will be retained at normal locations in Phase I.
7. Operational control under Phase II will be from the EOC.
8. The Town of Thatcher Police Chief will maintain operational control throughout the duration of the emergency, assigning specific tasks for supporting agencies.

B. Organization

The on-scene Incident Command System will be expanded and integrated into the County EOP Incident Command System. Refer to **Basic Plan and Annex A, Direction and Control**.

C. Tasks

1. See **Basic Plan, III D, "Tasks"**. Also **Annex A, Direction and Control**
2. The Town Council will establish policy and pass emergency resolutions to suppress any civil disturbance; declare an emergency; meet with disaffected leaders to negotiate differences; formulate official public information, and request assistance if needed. See **Annex C, Appendix 1 and 2** for Civil Disturbance Proclamations.
3. Police Department
 - a. Initiate Phase I of this plan and notify the Town Manager and Mayor.
 - b. Provide warning to the public.
 - c. Control access to, and prevent looting in affected areas.
 - d. Control all assisting forces deployed at the site of the emergency.
 - e. Collect and disseminate information and intelligence.
 - f. Furnish liaison personnel to other agencies as required.
 - g. Advise the Town Council and Town Manager's Office when Phase II should be initiated.
 - h. Provide law enforcement and security protection for the personnel and equipment of supporting units.
 - i. Provide security at water treatment plants, pumping stations, electrical substations and other locations as required.
4. Town Road Department
 - a. Provide barricading.
 - b. Removal of barricades erected by rioters.
 - c. Conduct debris clearance.
 - d. Provide assessment of damage and emergency repairs to Town property.

- e. Be prepared to assist in traffic control and evacuation.
- 5. Courts
 - a. Upon notification of initiation of Phase I, set up courtrooms for mass arraignments.
 - b. Establish area for posting of bonds and payment of fines.
- 6. Other departments will provide support functions as outlined in the **Basic Plan and Annex A, Direction and Control**.

IV. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

Standard emergency administration and supply procedures will be used. See **Basic Plan and Annex A, Direction and Control**.

V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

Refer to **Annex A, Direction and Control**.

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Appendix 1 - Resolution of A Local Emergency and Resolution of Curfew Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Ordinances or Resolutions of the Town of Thatcher provides that the Mayor shall take command of the Police Department Office and govern the Town by Proclamation during times of great danger, and

WHEREAS, there have been many acts of violence, rioting, insurrection, looting, arson, unlawful assembly, destruction of property, danger to life, or other civil disturbances, and

WHEREAS, these acts have been committed and are presently being committed, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Mayor now take command of the Police Department Office and govern the Town in order to protect life and property and to preserve the peace of Town of Thatcher.

NOW THEREFORE, I, _____ Mayor, Town of Thatcher, Graham County, State of Arizona, in conformity therewith and by virtue of the authority in me vested, and in accordance with the law, do hereby,

PROCLAIM AND DECLARE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF THATCHER that there now exists in the Town a local emergency, and great danger, and

I DO FURTHER DECLARE that within the area bounded by

_____,
_____, and _____,

there shall be a curfew which shall be in effect from _____ P.M. to _____ A.M. and further that all business establishments within the area having on their premises any intoxicating beverages, and all service stations, are hereby ordered closed during these hours, and

I DO FURTHER ORDER that all persons living or residing within the aforementioned area under curfew go immediately to their homes and remain there and all other persons not residing within the aforementioned area under curfew immediately leave this area, and

I DO HEREBY PROCLAIM that the Police Department Officers are ordered to remove, disperse or arrest any person or persons found to be in violation of this RESOLUTION or committing or attempting to commit any of the following acts; disturbing the peace by using any threat to use force or violence or other means to disturb the peace, or making an attempt or advance toward the commission of any act which would be a riot if actually committed; taking part in a riot or unlawful assembly or committing any crime against the laws of the State of Arizona or the ordinances and resolution of Town of Thatcher, or any person refusing to obey the lawful order of any public officer or person assisting such public officer in attempting to restore peace, tranquility and order to the County, and

I DO FURTHER PROCLAIM AND ORDER that the Police Department of the Town of Thatcher is hereby authorized to use any and all means at their disposal for the enforcement of this RESOLUTION; the Police Department Officers are further authorized and empowered to use any other means at their disposal to dispel or disperse a riot, or rout an unlawful assembly or to protect life and property, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that anyone violating any provision of this RESOLUTION shall be punished as provided by law.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS _____ day of _____, _____.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

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**APPENDIX 2 - Resolution to End Local Emergency and Curfew
Proclamation**

WHEREAS, beginning on the ____ day of _____, _____, there were acts of violence, riot, insurrection, looting, arson, unlawful assembly, destruction of property, and danger to life, and other civil disturbances, and

WHEREAS these acts were continuing, and

WHEREAS, the Ordinances and Resolutions of Town of Thatcher provided that the Mayor shall take command of the Police Department Office and govern the Town by proclamation during these times of great danger, and

WHEREAS, on the ____ day of _____, _____, at _____, I, _____, Mayor of the Town of Thatcher, proclaimed a local emergency existed, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Thatcher has been restored to peace, tranquility and order,

NOW, THEREFORE, I _____, Mayor of the Town of Thatcher, Graham County, State of Arizona, in conformity therewith and by virtue of the authority in me vested, and in accordance with the law, do hereby

PROCLAIM AND DECLARE TO THE PEOPLE OF TOWN OF THATHER, that there no longer exists in Town of Thatcher a local emergency, and

I DO FURTHER PROCLAIM that the activities of the government of Town of Thatcher and all of its departments hereby return to business as usual according to the Ordinance and Resolutions of Thatcher, Arizona

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this ____ day of _____, _____

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Town Clerk