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## PUBLIC SAFETY POINT – SNOW COVERED FIRE HYDRANTS

The Public Safety Department is asking for the assistance of citizens to aid in uncovering fire hydrants hidden in the snow.

Due to the strong winds and heavy, wet snow that winter storm Jaxon brought yesterday, fire hydrants throughout the city have been buried in the high drifts. This can lead to a safety hazard in the event of a fire emergency.

In an effort to help the Fire Division, the Public Safety Department is asking citizens with fire hydrants on their property to clear the snow from them so that they are visible and accessible, or to report the location of a covered hydrant to the Fire Division.

“We are extremely grateful to those kind citizens who are able to assist us in cleaning snow around their fire hydrant,” said Norfolk Fire Chief, Scott Cordes. “We readily recognize that not all citizens can do this. If you are aware of a hydrant that is in need of clearing, you can call the fire station at 402-844-2050 to report the location of a covered hydrant and it will be uncovered when time allows.”

The goal is for enough snow to be cleared away that the emergency responders know right where the hydrant is and can easily attach the hose in the event of an emergency. Your willingness to assist the Fire Division with this task is appreciated.