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## **Abilene City Council enacts temporary curfew to protect area damaged by tornado & severe weather**

ABILENE, Texas – A curfew is now in place for selected areas of Abilene that sustained damage in the city’s May 18th, 2019 severe weather event.

The severe weather experienced the morning of May 18th caused extensive damage to more than 100 structures, many of which are single family homes, in the west central area of Abilene. The purpose of enacting the curfew is to aid law enforcement in protecting those homes and property.

The curfew will be applied to four designated areas: Joanne Street to Presidio Drive, and Waldemar Street to Fairmont Street; Don Juan Street from Winters Freeway to South Pioneer Drive, South 7th from Winters Freeway to South San Jose Drive, and South San Jose Drive up to Don Juan Street; Oxford Street to Lexington Avenue, and South 7th to Russell Avenue; and Sunset Drive to South Mockingbird Boulevard, and South 5th street to South 1st Street.

The curfew will go into effect immediately, and prohibit individuals who are not property owners, or guests of property owners, from remaining or traveling on public or private property in the designated curfew areas between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m.

At this point in time the curfew is set to expire Saturday, May 25th, 2019, at the same time of expiration of the disaster declaration issued Saturday, May 18th, 2019, unless otherwise extended by Abilene City Council.

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