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ORDINANCE NO. 251

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC AND TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE MOTOR VEHICLE CODE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, BEING RCW TITLE 46, AND ALL ADDITIONS, AMENDMENTS AND RE-ENACTMENTS THERETO, AND PORTIONS OF RCW TITLE 47, AND PROHIBITING CERTAIN OFFENSES AGAINST THE PUBLIC PEACE AND SAFETY, AND TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL PUBLIC WELFARE, AND PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE, DEFINING OFFENSES AND AFFIXING PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 140, 144 AND 188 OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE FALLS, AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. This ordinance shall be known as the Traffic Ordinance of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington.

Section 2. By this reference, Title 46, Revised Code of the State of Washington, and known as the Washington State Motor Vehicle Code, and Sections .130, 180, .200, .220 and .230, of Chapter 47.36 of the Revised Code of Washington, including the additions, amendments and re-enactments thereto and thereof be and the same are hereby adopted by the Town of Granite Falls for the regulation and operation of Traffic within the Town of Granite Falls, and for the purpose of providing procedures for the enforcement of the provisions contained therein and for defining offenses and affixing penalties, and each and all of the regulations hereby referred to are adopted and made a part hereof as if set forth in full in this Ordinance. All additions, amendments and re-enactments to those laws of the State of Washington shall become adopted upon their effective dates without further adoption by the Town of Granite Falls.

Section 3. Ordinances Nos. 140, 144 and 148 of the Town of Granite Falls and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and are hereby repealed.

Section 4. The following provisions to be known as Title 10 of the ordinances of the Town of Granite Falls, are hereby enacted.

TITLE 10

VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Chapters:

- 10.04 General Provisions
- 10.08 Definitions
- 10.12 Enforcement--Obedience
- 10.16 Traffic Control Devices and Signals
- 10.20 Speed Regulations
- 10.24 Turning Movements
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CHAPTER 10.04

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sections:

10.04.010 Short Title.

10.04.010 Short Title. This title may be known and cited as the "Traffic Ordinance"

CHAPTER 10.08

DEFINITIONS

Sections:

10.08.010 Definitions generally  
10.08.020 Central business district  
10.08.030 Curb loading zone  
10.08.040 Official time standard  
10.08.050 Park  
10.08.060 Police officer  
10.08.070 Right-of-way  
10.08.080 Stop  
10.08.090 Stop, stopping, or standing

10.08.010 Definitions generally. The following words and phrases used in this title shall for the purpose of this title have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this chapter, unless where used the context thereof clearly indicates to the contrary.

10.08.020 Central business district. "Central business district" means all streets and portions of streets within the area of 100 Block West Stanley Street to 200 Block East Stanley Street and Granite Avenue 100 Block North and 100 Block South.

10.08.030 Curb loading zone. "Curb loading zone" means a space adjacent to a curb for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of freight.

10.08.040 Official time standard. Whenever certain hours are named in this title, they mean standard time or daylight-savings time as may be in current use in this city.

10.08.050 Park. "Park", when prohibited, means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading.

10.08.060 Police officer. "Police officer" means every officer of the Granite Falls Police Department or any officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.

10.08.070 Right-of-way. "Right-of-way" means the privilege of the immediate use of the roadway.

10.08.080 Stop. "Stop", when required, means complete cessation of movement.

10.08.090 Stop, stopping, or standing. "Stop, stopping, or standing", when prohibited, means any stopping or standing of a vehicle whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal.

## CHAPTER 10.12

### ENFORCEMENT--OBEDIENCE\*

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.12.010 Authority of police and fire department officials
- 10.12.020 Obedience to title
- 10.12.030 Obedience to police and fire department officials

10.12.010 Authority of police and fire department officials. (a) It shall be the duty of the officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police to enforce this title.

(b) Officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police are authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand, or signal in conformance with traffic laws; provided that, in the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the police department may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.

(c) Officers of the fire department, when at the scene of a fire, may direct or assist the police in directing traffic thereat or in the immediate vicinity.

\* For statutory provisions authorizing cities to adopt traffic regulations which are not in conflict with the provisions of RCW 46.08, see RCW 46.08.020.

10.12.020 Obedience to title. It is unlawful for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this title.

10.12.030 Obedience to police and fire department officials. No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer or fire department official.

## CHAPTER 10.16

### TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND SIGNALS\*

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.16.010 Installation authority
- 10.16.020 Required for enforcement purposes
- 10.16.030 Play streets-Establishment authority
- 10.16.040 Play streets-Driving restrictions
- 10.16.050 Crosswalk-Safety zone designation
- 10.16.060 Traffic lanes

10.16.010 Installation authority. The chief of police shall place and maintain traffic control signs, signals, and devices when as required under this title to make effective the provisions of this title, and may place and maintain such additional traffic control devices as he may deem necessary to regulate traffic under this title or under state law, or to guide or warn traffic.

10.16.020 Required for enforcement purposes. No provision of this title for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if at the time and place of the alleged violation an official sign is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily prudent person. Whenever a particular section does not state that signs are required, such section shall be effective even though no signs are erected or in place.

10.16.030 Play streets-Establishment authority. The chief of police shall have authority to declare any street or part thereof a play street and to place appropriate signs

\* For statutory provisions authorizing local authorities to alter maximum speed limits, see RCW 46.61.415.

or devices in the roadway indicating and helping to protect the same.

10.16.040 Play streets-Driving restrictions. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any such street or portion thereof except operators of vehicles having business or whose residences are with such closed area, and then any said operator shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any such street or portion thereof.

10.16.050 Crosswalk-Safety zone designation. The chief of police is authorized:

(1) To designate and maintain, by appropriate devices, marks, or lines upon the surface of the roadway, crosswalks at intersections where in his opinion there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the roadway, and at such other places as he may deem necessary;

(2) To establish safety zones of such kind and character and at such places as he may deem necessary for the protection of pedestrians.

10.16.060 Traffic lanes. (a) The chief of police is authorized to mark traffic lanes upon the roadway of any street or highway where a regular alignment of traffic is necessary.

(b) Where such traffic lanes have been marked, it is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep such vehicle within the boundaries of any such lane except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

## CHAPTER 10.20

### SPEED REGULATIONS

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.20.010 Maximum speed limits
- 10.20.020 Regulation of speed by traffic signals
- 10.20.030 Specific maximum speed limits

10.20.010 Maximum speed limits. The speed limit for vehicular traffic upon all streets and alleys and public within the city shall be a maximum speed of twenty-five miles per hour, except where a greater or lesser speed limit for particular streets or alleys is provided for elsewhere in this title.

10.20.020 Regulation of speed by traffic signals. The city chief of police is authorized to regulate the timing of traffic signals so as to permit the movement of traffic in an orderly and safe manner.

10.20.030 Specific maximum speed limits. (a) The maximum speed on Stanley Street, 500 and 600 Blocks East, and Homer Avenue, 100 Block North, shall be twenty (20) miles per hour.

(b) The maximum speed on North Alder Avenue, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., on school days, shall be twenty (20) miles per hour.

#### CHAPTER 10.24

#### TURNING MOVEMENTS\*

##### SECTIONS:

- 10.24.010 Turning marker placement
- 10.24.020 Restricted turn signs placement

10.24.010 Turning marker placement. (a) The chief of police is authorized to place markers, buttons, or signs within or adjacent to intersections indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning at such intersections in accordance with the provisions of this title and RCW 47.36.060.

(b) When authorized markers, buttons, or other indications are placed within an intersection indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning thereat, no operator of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of such indications.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) "U" turns shall be prohibited at the following intersections: Stanley Streets and Granite Avenue.

10.24.020 Restricted turn signs placement. The chief of police is authorized to determine those intersections at which operators of vehicles shall not make a right, left, or U turn, and shall place proper signs at such intersections. The making of such turns may be prohibited between certain hours of any day and permitted at other hours, in which event, the same shall be plainly indicated on the signs, or they may be removed when such turns are permitted.

#### CHAPTER 10.32

#### SPECIAL STOPS

##### SECTIONS:

- 10.32.010 Emerging from alley or private driveway

\* For statutory provisions authorizing the placing of markers within or adjacent to intersections see RCW 46.61.290

- 10.32.020 Arterial highways designated
- 10.32.030 Arterial streets
- 10.32.040 Stop sign erection
- 10.32.050 Intersections where stop required
- 10.32.060 Design of stop signs
- 10.32.070 Stop when traffic obstructed

10.32.010 Emerging from alley or private driveway.

(a) It is unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to emerge from any alley, driveway, building exit, private way, or private property or from off the roadway of any public highway, onto the roadway of any public highway or across a sidewalk or into the sidewalk area extending across any such alley, driveway, building exit, private way, or private property without bringing such vehicle to a full stop and yielding the right-of-way to all pedestrians upon such sidewalk and all vehicles upon such public highway.

(b) No vehicle shall back into or out of any alley, except when same is ibstructed.

(c) No driver shall enter any street at any point other than a street intersection at a rate of speed exceeding five (5) miles an hour, nor operate a vehicle in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour in any alley.

10.32.020 Arterial highways designated. Those streets and parts of streets described in Section 10.32.030 are declared to be arterial highways for the purpose of this chapter.

10.32.030 Arterial streets. The following streets are arterial streets as described in Section 10.32.020. In cases where two arterials intersect there shall be a four-way stop (or three-way stop) unless it is stated below as to which arterial controls in which case traffic on the controlling arterial shall not be required to stop at such intersection:

(1) Stanley Street from the west city limits to Alder Avenue. Stanley Street controls, except at Granite Avenue and Alder Avenue, which are four-way stops.

(2) Granite Avenue from the south city limits to Alpine controls, except at Stanley Street, where both streets control.

(3) Pioneer Street from the east city limits to Granite Avenue controls on all including Alder Avenue, except for Granite Avenue, where the latter street controls.

(4) Alder Avenue from the south city limits to the north city limits controls, except at Pioneer Street, and at Stanley Street, where the latter two streets control.

10.32.040 Stop sign erection. Except on such streets that form a part of the route of a primary or secondary state highway upon which the state law requires the director of highways to install, operate, maintain, and control the traffic control devices, whenever any ordinance of this city designates and describes an arterial highway, it shall be the duty of the chief of police to place and maintain a stop sign on each and every street intersecting such arterial highway or intersecting that portion thereof described and designated as such by any ordinance of this city.

10.32.050 Intersections where stop required. The chief of police is authorized to determine and designate intersections where particular hazard exists upon other than arterial highways and to determine whether vehicles shall stop at one or more entrances to any such stop intersection, and shall erect a stop sign at every such place where a stop is required.

10.32.060 Design of stop signs. Every stop sign shall be of the standard design adopted by the director of highways.

10.32.070 Stop when traffic obstructed. No operator shall enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed.

## CHAPTER 10.36

### PROCESSIONS

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.36.010 Driving through procession
- 10.36.020 Operators in a procession
- 10.36.030 Identification
- 10.36.040 Permits

10.36.010 Driving through procession. No operator of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated as required in Section 10.36.030. This provision shall not

apply at intersections where traffic is controlled by traffic control signals unless a police officer is present at such intersections to direct traffic so as to preserve the continuity of the funeral procession.

10.36.020 Operators in a procession. Each operator in a funeral or other procession shall drive as near to the right-hand edge of the roadway as practical and shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practical and safe.

10.36.030 Identification. A funeral composed of a procession of vehicles shall be identified as such by the display upon the outside of each vehicle of a pennant or other identifying insignia or by such other method as may be determined and designated by the chief of police.

10.36.040 Permits. No processions or parades shall be conducted on the city streets with the exception of funeral processions and parades of the armed forces of the United States or the military forces of this state, unless a permit is first applied for and obtained. Such permit shall be issued by the Town Council and other persons or groups to whom such permits are issued shall only occupy, march, or proceed along any street in accordance with the said permit and such other regulations set forth in this title or required by the Town Council.

## CHAPTER 10.44

### BICYCLES

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.44.010 Obedience to traffic control devices
- 10.44.020 Parking
- 10.44.030 Riding on sidewalks

10.44.010 Obedience to traffic control devices. (a) Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signals, signs, and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

(b) Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any such sign except where such person dismounts from the bicycle to make any such turn, in which event, such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

10.44.020 Parking. No person shall park a bicycle upon a street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk other than in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb, in such manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

10.44.030 Riding on sidewalks. (a) The chief of police is authorized to erect signs on any sidewalk or roadway prohibiting the riding of bicycles thereon by any person, and when such signs are in place, no person shall disobey the same.

(b) Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian.

#### CHAPTER 10.48

#### PARKING

##### SECTIONS:

10.48.010 Angle parking marking-Determination. The chief of police shall determine upon what streets other than those forming a part of the primary or secondary state highways angle parking, shall be permitted.

10.48.020 Angle parking marking-Obedience. Upon those streets which have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle to the curb or edge of the roadway indicated by such signs or markings.

10.48.030 Traffic obstruction prohibited. No person shall park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than eight feet of the width of the roadway for free movement vehicular traffic.

10.48.040 Parking in alleys. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than eight feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic, and no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle within an alley in such position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

10.48.050 Prohibited purposes. No person shall park a vehicle upon any roadway for the principal purpose of:

(1) Displaying such vehicle for sale or for advertising services for vehicles;

(2) Washing, greasing, or repairing such vehicle except repairs necessitated by an emergency.

10.48.060 Adjacent to schools. (a) The chief of police is authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon either or both sides of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in his opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.

(b) When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon that side of a street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place.

10.48.070 Prohibited on narrow streets. (a) The chief of police is authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon both sides of a street when the width of the improved roadway does not exceed twenty feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs when the width of the improved roadway is between twenty and twenty-eight feet.

(b) When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places as authorized herein, no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any such designated place.

#### CHAPTER 10.56

#### STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING

##### SECTIONS:

- 10.56.010 Chapter application
- 10.56.020 Regulations not exclusive
- 10.56.030 Parking for more than seventy-two hours prohibited
- 10.56.040 Parking time limited on certain streets
- 10.56.050 Streets and areas subject to parking restrictions
- 10.56.060 Parking signs required

10.56.010 Chapter application. The provisions of this chapter prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times herein specified or as indicated on official signs except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

10.56.020 Regulation not exclusive. The provisions of this chapter imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

10.56.030 Parking for more than seventy-two hours prohibited. No automobile shall be continuously parked at any one location on a city street or alley for more than seventy-two hours.

10.56.040 Parking time limited on certain streets. When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than two hours at any time between the hours of eight a.m. and six p.m. of any day, except Sundays and public holidays, within the district or upon any of the streets described in Section 10.56.050.

10.56.050 Streets and areas subject to parking restrictions.  
(a) The following streets and areas shall have the eight to six parking limitations stated in Section 10.56.040:

(1) Stanley Street, 100 Block West, and 100 and 200 Blocks East, both sides.

(2) Granite Avenue, 100 Block North, and 100 Block South, both sides, except as noted in sub-paragraph (b).

(b) No vehicle shall be parked in front of the Post Office on Stanley Street, within the 100 Block East, for a longer period of ten (10) minutes.

(c) No vehicle shall be parked in one place for more than seventy-two consecutive hours on any street, alley or public place within the city.

10.56.060 Parking signs required. Whenever by this chapter or any other ordinance of the city, any parking time limit is imposed or parking is prohibited on designated streets, it shall be the duty of the city chief of police to erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof, and no such regulations shall be effective unless said signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense.

## CHAPTER 10.60

### LOADING ZONES AND PUBLIC CARRIER STANDS

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.60.010 Designation
- 10.60.020 Permit-Loading or unloading at angle to curb
- 10.60.030 Standing-Freight curb loading zone

10.60.010 Designation. The city council shall determine the location of curb loading zones and shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the same and stating the hours during which the provisions of this section are applicable. No person shall be granted the right, use or franchise for vehicle parking of any portion of the surface area of any public highway to the exclusion of any other like person.

10.60.020 Permit-Loading or unloading at angle to curb. The chief of police is authorized to issue special permits to permit the backing of a vehicle to the curb for the purpose of loading or unloading merchandise or materials subject to the terms and conditions of such permit. Such permits may be issued either to the owner or lessee of real property or to the owner of the vehicle and shall grant to such person the privilege as therein stated and authorized herein, and it is unlawful for any permittee or other person to violate any of the special terms or conditions of any such permit; provided however, that no permit issued herein shall be exclusive.

10.60.030 Standing-Curb loading zone. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle for any purpose or length of time other than for the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of materials in any place marked as a freight curb loading zone during hours when the provisions applicable to such zones are in effect. In no case shall the stop for loading and unloading of materials exceed thirty minutes.

#### CHAPTER 10.64

#### MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS

##### SECTIONS:

- 10.64.010 Driving on sidewalk
- 10.64.020 Clinging to moving vehicles
- 10.64.030 Boarding or alighting from vehicles
- 10.64.040 Unlawful riding

10.64.010 Driving on sidewalk. The operator of a vehicle shall not drive within any sidewalk area except at a permanent or temporary driveway.

10.64.020 Clinging to moving vehicles. Any person riding upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any toy vehicle shall not attach the same or himself to any street car or moving vehicle upon any roadway.

10.64.030 Boarding or alighting from vehicles. No person shall board or alight from any vehicle while such vehicle is in motion.

10.64.040 Unlawful riding. No person shall ride on any vehicle upon any portion thereof not designated or intended for the use of passengers. This provision shall not apply to any employee engaged in the necessary discharge of a duty, or to persons riding within truck bodies intended for merchandise.

#### CHAPTER 10.68

#### ARREST PROCEDURE

#### SECTIONS:

10.68.010 Traffic Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction applicable

- 10.68.020 Stolen or abandoned vehicles
- 10.68.030 Notice on illegally parked vehicle-Procedure
- 10.68.040 Notice on illegally parked vehicle-Failure to comply.
- 10.68.050 Warrant issue
- 10.68.060 Authority to impound vehicles
- 10.68.070 Prima-Facie presumption of driving
- 10.68.080 Arresting officer may impound vehicle .

10.68.010 Traffic Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction applicable. All arrest, citations and trials, and procedures relating thereto shall be in conformance with the Rules of Courts of Limited Jurisdiction.

10.68.020 Stolen or abandoned vehicles. The police department shall carry out the requirements of RCW 46.25.110, and as the same may be hereafter amended, with respect to stolen or abandoned vehicles.

10.68.030 Notice on illegally parked vehicle-Procedure. Whenever any motor vehicle without operator is found parked, angle parked, or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by ordinance of this city the officer finding such vehicle shall take its registration number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a notice in writing, on a form provided by the city, for the operator to answer to the charge against him within twenty-four hours at a place specified on the notice. The officer shall deposit the original or a copy of each traffic citation with the traffic violation bureau.

10.68.040 Notice on illegally parked vehicle-Failure to comply. If a violator of the restrictions on stopping, standing, or parking under the traffic laws or ordinances does not appear in response to a notice affixed to such motor vehicle within a period of seventy-two hours, the traffic violations bureau shall send to the owner of the motor vehicle to which the notice was affixed a letter informing him of the violation and warning him that in the event such letter is disregarded for a period of five days, a complaint will be filed and warrant of arrest issued.

10.68.050 Warrant issuance. In the event any person fails to comply with a traffic citation given to such persons or attached to a vehicle or fails to make appearance pursuant to a summons directing an appearance in the traffic violations bureau, or if any person fails or refuses to deposit bail as required and within the time permitted by ordinance, there shall issue a warrant for his arrest.

10.68.060 Authority to impound vehicles. (a) Members of the police department are authorized to remove a vehicle from a street or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety or to a garage designated or maintained by the police department or otherwise maintained by this city, under the circumstances hereinafter enumerated:

(1) When any vehicle is left unattended upon any bridge, viaduct, or causeway, or in any tunnel where such vehicle constitutes an obstruction to traffic;

(2) When a vehicle upon a highway (or street, including tunnels, bridges, or approaches) is also so disable as to

constitute an obstruction to traffic (or when) the person or persons in charge of the vehicle are by reason of physical injury incapacitated to such an extent as to be unable to provide for its custody or removal;

(3) When any vehicle is left unattended upon a street and is so parked illegally as to constitute a definite hazard of obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.

(b) Whenever an officer removes a vehicle from a street as authorized in this section, he shall report the abandoned vehicle to the chief of the Washington State Patrol, and if the officer knows or is able to ascertain from the registration records in the vehicle the name and address of the registered and legal owner thereof, such officer shall immediately give or cause personal notice to be given in writing to such owner, if any record exists of the registered or legal owner in the state, of the fact of such removal and the reasons therefor and of the place to which such vehicle has been removed. The abandoned vehicle shall be taken into the custody of the sheriff of the county where it has been abandoned and stored. In the event of such vehicle being stored in a public garage, a copy of such notice shall be given to the proprietor of such garage.

(c) Whenever an officer removes a vehicle from a street under this Section and does not know and is not able to ascertain the name of the owner, or for any other reason is unable to give notice to the owner, as provided in Section 10.68.030, and in the event the vehicle is not returned to the owner within a period of three days, then and in that event, the officer shall immediately send or cause to be sent written report of such removal by mail to the State Department whose duty it is to register motor vehicles, and shall file a copy of such notice with the proprietor of any public garage in which the vehicle may be stored. Such notice shall include a complete description of the vehicle, the date, time and place from which removed, the reasons for such removal, and the name of the garage or place where the vehicle is stored.

(d) Any cost incurred in the removal thereof shall be paid by the owner of the vehicle so removed, and the same shall be a lien upon such vehicle.

10.68.070 Prima-Facie Presumption of Driving. For purposes of this chapter the registered owner of a motor vehicle shall be presumed to be operator or user of such vehicle.

10.68.080 Arresting Officer may impound vehicles. Any police officer of the Town of Granite Falls shall have the authority to impound any motor vehicle, when the operator is arrested for a violation of the law, should it appear necessary to the officer for purposes of public safety or the safety of the vehicle or property therein.

## CHAPTER 10.72

### TRUCK ROUTES

#### SECTIONS:

- 10.72.010 Establishment of Truck Routes
- 10.72.020 Exemption from Truck Routes

10.72.010 Establishment of Truck Routes. When signs are posted giving notice thereof, no person shall at any time operate any laden vehicle or any laden combination of vehicles having a gross weight in excess of twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds upon any of the streets or alleys within the corporate limits of the Town of Granite Falls, except as in this ordinance particularly excepted. EXCEPT and PROVIDED, that such vehicles may be operated thereon at any time for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise, and then only by entering and leaving such streets and alleys at the intersection nearest certain herein excepted streets designated as TRUCK ROUTES.

10.72.020 Exemption from Truck Routes. That the restrictions and limitations in Section 10.72.010 of this ordinance shall not apply to that portion of Stanley Street between Alder Avenue and the west city limits, Alder Avenue, that portion of Granite Avenue, between Stanley Street and the south city limits and that portion of Pioneer Street between Granite Avenue and Alder Avenue.

Section 5. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

Unless another penalty is, in this Ordinance, including the provisions and procedures thereof adopted by reference, provided, every person convicted of a misdemeanor of any provision of this ordinance shall be punished by fine or imprisonment or both; but no such fine shall exceed \$500.00, nor the term exceed six months.

If any penalty or punishment adopted by reference, including the additions, amendments and reenactments thereto and thereof, exceeds this penalty provision, then the last penalty provision therein set forth shall have no effect and the penalty provision herein set forth shall be the penalty for such act.

Section 6. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED by the Council of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington, this 13th day of October, 1971.

ROBERT D. HENDERSON, Mayor Pro-tem

ATTEST:  
ILENE LARSON,  
Town Clerk