

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 719-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
ESTABLISHING CHARGES FOR SEWER HOOKUPS
WITHIN AND ABOUT THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
IN THE AMOUNT AS SET IN SECTION ONE (1) BELOW,
AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR
SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, as part of the Comprehensive Plan and Facilities Study, the City of Granite Falls has completed the first phase of the Sewer System expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed the 2005 Comprehensive Sewer Plan that indicates that additional improvement/expansion will be needed to our Wastewater Treatment Plant to meet projected growth in the City; and

WHEREAS, future improvement/expansion to the Wastewater Treatment Plant will be funded in part by Sewer Hookup Fees; and

WHEREAS, revenue collected from current sewer hookup fees is not sufficient to pay for growth related expansion of the sewer system.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS,
WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY ORDINAN:

Section 1. There shall be a sewer hookup charge collected per unit as follows:

Effective February 1, 2006	\$5300.00
Effective January 1, 2007	\$6300.00
Effective January 1, 2008	\$7300.00

Section 2. All sewer hookup charges shall be deposited into the Capital Improvement Fund/Sewer along with any other funds the City Council shall by Ordinance direct.

Section 3. A sewer hookup fee shall be charged for each additional unit created when a building is remodeled with the exception of commercial use buildings.

Section 4. A billing service fee of \$1000.00 shall be charged for creation of an additional commercial unit of which 90% will be receipted to the Sewer Fund as defined in Ordinance No. 693-04.

Section 5. Sewer hookup fees shall be collected in full:

- A. For each lot upon final plat approval; or
- B. Prior to issuance of a building permit for all construction not relating to plats that the hookup fees were collected at the time of plat approval.

In addition, all labor and material costs incurred by the city in installing sewer lines to the new service shall be paid by the property owner.

Section 6. A utility customer of the City of Granite Falls that has not had an active sewer account for the previous consecutive five (5) years shall pay a tap fee for sewer prior to activating the utility service.

Section 7. All ordinances, or sections of ordinances in conflict therewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.


MAYOR

Attest:


City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

DATE OF FIRST READING:	January 11, 2006
DATE OF SECOND READING:	January 25, 2006
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