

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 738-07

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS REVISING  
ORDINANCE NO. 414, AND 444 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING RATES  
AND CHARGES FOR THE STORM DRAINAGE FUND AND  
REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS OF  
ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.**

Section 1. Ordinance Nos. 414 and 444 are hereby amended as the same refer to rates charged for the Storm Drainage Fund.

Section 2. Rates and Charges.

The following rates and charges are established and shall be paid into the Storm Drainage Fund:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
RESIDENTIAL USE:	
Single-family residence (1unit)	1.00
Multi-family residence (1 unit)	1.00
Additional Units	.50
COMMERCIAL USE:	
Business Building (based on number of sewer units)	
Per unit	1.00

Section 3. Mitigation fees, charges and costs.

(a) A permit fee to cover the cost of administration, in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be charged for each new construction application. Such fee shall be paid into the CIF Storm Drainage Fund.

(b) A storm drain charge for construction of single family or multi family shall be charged \$200.00 based on the building valuation as computed by the Building Department up to and including \$50,000.00. Building evaluations over \$50,000.00 shall be charged .4% of their valuation. Such fee shall be collected at issuance of the building permit and paid into the CIF Storm Drainage Fund.

(c) A storm drain assessment shall be charged upon development of Business in the "Down Town" business area and defined as Drainage Basin A and Drainage Basin B1. The City has constructed a storm detention facility for the development

and revitalization of the Down Town business area referred to as the "Lake Gardner Regional Detention Facility". The properties in Drainage Basin A and B1 that benefit from the storm retention improvements are identified on the attached map identified as Figure 1. The Business storm drain assessment is based on total impervious surface of the proposed project. A Storm Drain assessment shall be collected upon issuance of a Commercial building permit at a rate of \$1.25 per square foot of impervious surface in addition to storm fees collected on the building valuation as defined in this section. The assessment fee will be paid into the Capital Improvement Fund Storm Drainage.

(d) Construction Costs and Fees:

1. Cost of construction of storm water and the developer shall pay upgrades to storm water facilities.
2. Cost incurred by the City for plan review and site inspection of storm drain facilities and consulting staff costs shall be remitted to the Office of City Hall upon completion and approval of the work by City staff.
3. The City may, at its option, construct storm detention to serve an area. Any property that will be serviced by storm drain constructed by the city shall be subject to fees and charges based on cost of project and the impervious surface of their property.
4. Any property connected to a storm water system or open ditch constructed under an LID or ULID shall be subject to a construction fee based upon the same impervious surface assessments made on the property within the LID.

(e) Billing. All monthly billing charges for storm drainage shall be due and payable to the city by the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the month the billing is made. The monthly storm drain charge, in the interest of economical operation, shall be included on the water and sanitary sewer statements.

Section 4. Permit required.

- (a) It is unlawful for any person to make any connection to any public or private storm water system without City approved plans.
- (b) Storm drainage plans shall be reviewed by City staff, and or contract staff and approved by the City Council.
- (c) Upon approval of the plans it is unlawful to alter or to do any other work than what was approved for in the binding site plan.
- (d) The public works department shall keep on file all records of storm drain plans.

Section 5. Lien Charges.

When charges for drainage are delinquent for a period in excess of six (6) months, a lien shall be filed against the property and an additional charge in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to cover the cost of processing the lien and filing fees.

All charges for drainage together with any penalties and interest that may be provided by this chapter shall be lien upon the property superior to all other liens and encumbrances

whatsoever, except those for general taxes and local and special assessments. Such liens shall be enforced by the City in the manner provided by law.

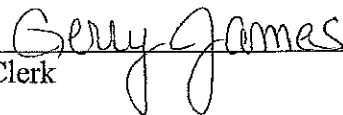
This Ordinance shall be in force and effective upon its approval, passage, posting, and publication.

Said Ordinance was passed in open session by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls on the 21 day of March, 2007.

Approved by the Mayor this 21 day of March, 2007.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
Clerk

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