

ORDINANCE NO 804-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING PORTIONS OF ORDINANCE 482 CODIFIED AS GRANITE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE (GFMC) SECTION 9.98.010 RELATING TO FIREWORKS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the GFMC 9.98 currently allows the ignition or discharge of fireworks only between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on July 4th; and

WHEREAS, the City receives requests to allow fireworks for New Year's Eve – December 31st; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the interest of public health, welfare, and safety, of the citizens of Granite Falls can be met by allowing an additional limited window for fireworks;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. GFMC 9.98.010, Amended. Granite Falls Municipal Code Section 9.98.010 "Fireworks permitted when," is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.98.010

Fireworks permitted when.

In order to ensure safety for the public and eliminate fire danger for the residents of the town of Granite Falls, the use of any and all fireworks shall be allowed only on December 31st from 6:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. on January 1st of the subsequent year; and on July 4th between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight. [Ord. 482 § 1, 1992.]

Section 2. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.


ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 16th DAY OF June, 2010.

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS



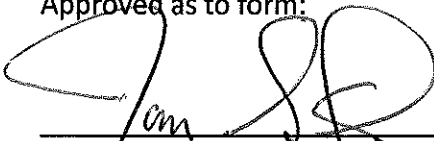
Mayor Sheikh Haroon Saleem

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Darla Reese, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Thom H. Graafstra, City Attorney

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