

**ORDINANCE NO 808-10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING PORTIONS OF ORDINANCE 250 CODIFIED AS GRANITE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE (GFMC) SECTION 9.96.090 RELATING TO PARK HOURS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the GFMC 9.96.090 currently states it is unlawful to remain, stay or loiter in parks between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.; 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 authorizing the closing of its City parks at an earlier time;

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

**Section 1. GFMC 9.96.090, Amended.** Granite Falls Municipal Code Section 9.96.090 "Camping and closing hours," is hereby amended to read as follows:

**9.96.090  
Camping and closing hours.**

It is unlawful to camp in any covered premises except at places set aside for such purposes by the park board and so designated by signs, and it is unlawful to remain, stay or loiter in any park except during the hours from dawn until dusk, excluding designated camping areas. [Ord. 250 § 9, 1971.]

**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 20 DAY OF October, 2010.

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

  
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Mayor Sheikh Haroon Saleem

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Darla Reese, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Paul McMurray, City Attorney

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