ORDINANCE NO. 930-2017 CITY OF GRANITE FALLS GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 719-06 AND ADOPTING A NEW WASTEWATER (SANITARY SEWER) GENERAL FACILITY CHARGE; AND AUTHORIZING REVISONS TO THE CITY'S FEE RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls is allowed to set a General Facility Charge (Connection Charge) for new connections to the wastewater (sanitary sewer) system based upon the Revised Code of Washington 35.92.025; and

WHEREAS, the General Facility Charge is determined such that property owners shall bear their equitable cost of connection to the City's wastewater system; and

WHEREAS, the General Facility Charge should be updated periodically to properly reflect the cost and age of the City's facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls last revised its General Facility Charge in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to update its General Facility Charge;

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

- **Section 1:** Ordinance No. 719-03 is hereby repealed. The City of Granite Falls adopts a new Wastewater Utility General Facility Charge as part of its fees. Such Charge shall be periodically updated in accordance with the City's Fee Resolution.
- **Section 2:** An additional \$3,000 General Facility Charge per each 5/8" x 3/4" meter, defined as one equivalent residential unit, shall be assessed for each connection outside the City limits that connects to the City's wastewater collection system.
- **Section 4:** All monies collected through a General Facility Charge, or as transferred as stated in Section 2, shall be deposited into the City's Sewer Capital Improvement Fund.
- **Section 5:** <u>Severability</u>. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 6: <u>Publication and Summary</u>. This Ordinance or summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City.

Section 7: <u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of the summary consisting of the title.

| Said Ordinance was passed in open session by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls |
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| on the <u>17th</u> day of <u>May</u> , 2017, and signed in authentication of its passage this |
| day of May , 2017. Matthew Hartman, Mayor |
| Attest: |
| Darla Reese, City Clerk |
| Approved as to form: |

Thomas H. Graafstra, City Attorney

DATE OF FIRST AND FINAL READING:

May 17, 2017

DATE OF PUBLICATION:

May 22, 2017

EFFECTIVE DATE:

May 27, 2017