

**CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
Granite Falls, Washington**

ORDINANCE NO. 916-2016

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON ADDING A NEW SECTION
13.20.165 SENIOR CITIZEN OR DISABLED PERSON
EXEMPTION FOR PERSONAL RESIDENCE; PROVIDING FOR
SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS the City has elected to collect rates and charges for stormwater in GFMC Section 13.20.150 through billing on the annual property tax statement; and

WHEREAS to effect said collection the City is required from time to time to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for such collection; and

WHEREAS Snohomish County requires that the City provide the same exemption from collection for its stormwater rates and charges for qualifying disabled persons and senior citizens as the County provides for the collection of property tax;

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

Section 1. A new Section 13.20.165 entitled Senior Citizen or Disabled Exemption is hereby added to GFMC Chapter 13.20 and adopted to read as follows - all other provisions of Chapter 13.20 remain in effect and unchanged:

13.20.165 Senior Citizen or Disabled Person Exemption.

The following types of real property shall be presently exempt from the City's stormwater rates and charges imposed by Section 13.20.150:

Real Property that is owned by, and is the personal residence of, a person or persons approved by the county assessor for a senior citizen or disabled persons property tax exemption under RCW 84.36.381.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five days from and after its passage, approval and publication, as required by law.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 7th day of Sept., 2016.

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS



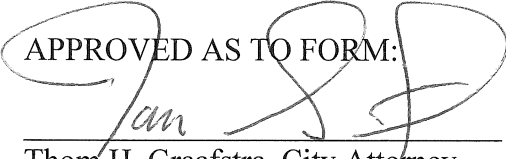
Matthew Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Darla Reese, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Thom H. Graafstra, City Attorney

Date of Publication: Sept. 13, 2016
Effective Date: Sept. 18, 2016