

**ORDINANCE NO. 926-2017  
CITY OF GRANITE FALLS  
GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON REPEALING  
ORDINANCE NO. 665-03 AND ADOPTING A NEW WATER GENERAL FACILITY  
CHARGE; DIRECTING A MONTHLY TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE WATER  
FUND TO THE WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND; AND AUTHORIZING  
REVISIONS 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 water 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 water 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 2003; 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**Section 1:** Ordinance No. 665-03 is hereby repealed. The City of Granite Falls adopts a new Water 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 amount of \$2.00 per month per each 5/8" x 3/4" meter, defined as supplying water to one equivalent residential unit, shall be withdrawn from the Water Fund and deposited into the City's Water Capital Improvement Fund along with any other funds the City Council may direct by Ordinance. The amount directed to Capital Improvement Fund for meters larger than 3/4" shall be in accordance with the City's Fee Resolution.

**Section 3:** An additional \$3,000 General Facility Charge per each 5/8" x 3/4" meter, defined as supplying water to one equivalent residential unit, shall be assessed for each connection outside the City limits that connects to the City's water 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 Water Capital Improvement Fund.

**Section 5: Severability.** 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: Publication and Summary.** This Ordinance or summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City.

**Section 7: Effective Date.** 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 on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017, and signed in authentication of its passage this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.



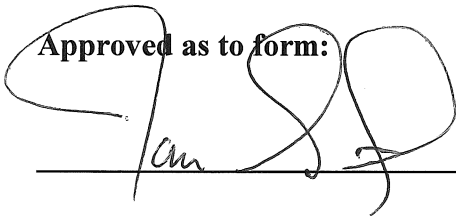
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Matthew Hartman, Mayor

Attest:



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Darla Reese, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



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Thomas H. Graafstra, City Attorney

DATE OF FIRST AND FINAL READING:

January 11, 2017

DATE OF PUBLICATION:

January 17, 2017

EFFECTIVE DATE:

January 22, 2017