

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

**ORDINANCE 970-2019**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS,  
WASHINGTON RELATING TO THE CITY SEWER  
SYSTEM; REPEALING THE MARCH 2006 WASTEWATER  
FACILITIES PLAN; AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF  
GRANITE FALLS 2018 WASTEWATER FACILITIES PLAN  
AS APPROVED BY WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF  
ECOLOGY NOVEMBER 30, 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Granite Falls owns and operates a public sewer system within its corporate boundaries. Sewer collection, treatment, and disposal are provided through a conventional gravity collection system, lift stations, force mains, and a treatment facility. The City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the treatment facility requires the City to complete a Plan and Schedule to submit to Ecology for continuing to maintain capacity in the system when the flow or waste load reaches 85 percent of the rated capacity of the wastewater plant; and

**WHEREAS**, based on numbers from 2017, the City currently serves a population of approximately 3,485 through 1,075 connections to the sewer system. The existing wastewater treatment plant has the capacity to serve approximately a population of approximately 5,100; and

**WHEREAS**, Gray and Osborne was authorized by the City in 2017 to prepare a Wastewater Facilities Plan (Plan) in accordance with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-240-050 and on April 4, 2018 a presentation of a Draft Plan was made to the Granite Falls City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 17, 2018 a draft Wastewater Facilities Plan was submitted to the Department of Ecology which was commented on. A revised Plan was submitted to the Department of Ecology on October 9, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 30, 2018 the Department of Ecology approved the Wastewater Facilities Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Determination of Non-Significance on the Wastewater Facilities Plan, pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act was issued on December 10, 2018 and no appeals were filed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wastewater Facilities Plan was submitted to the Department of Commerce on May 3, 2019 and the required 60-day review period expires on August 2, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2019 the City Planning Commission held a Public Hearing for the Wastewater Facilities Plan after notice as published in the Everett Herald in accordance with the City notice requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a public hearing on August 21, 2019 for the Wastewater Facilities Plan after notice was published in the Everett Herald in accordance with the City notice requires; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2006 Wastewater Facilities Plan will be replaced by adoption of the 2018 Wastewater Facilities Plan; and

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


**Section 1. Repeal and adoption.** The City of Granite Falls 2006 Wastewater Facilities Plan, supporting appendices and any approved amendments is hereby repealed. The City of Granite Falls hereby adopts the City of Granite Falls 2018 Wastewater Facilities Plan a copy of which is attached hereto.

**Section 2. Final Plan.** Copies of the City of Granite Falls 2018 Wastewater Facilities Plan approved by the City Council shall be available for public review at the office of the City Clerk following final submittal to the Department of Health (Health).

**Section 3. Severability.** If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance of Plan adopted herein, or their application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order or judgment shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remainder of any part of this Ordinance or Plan. To this end, provisions of each clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance and Plan are declared severable.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective on the date on which the Department of Ecology approves in writing the City of Granite Falls 2018 Wastewater Facilities Plan, which date is more than five days following publication of this Ordinance or a summary thereof. If Ecology does not approve the Plan in its entirety, then those portions approved by Ecology shall be effective, and the portions not approved by Health shall not be included in this adoption.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS  
  
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Matt Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Darla Reese  
Darla Reese, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Thom Graafstra  
Thom Graafstra, City Attorney

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