CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 981-2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING GRANITE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3204.040 "MAYOR PRO TEMPORE"

WHEREAS, the City wishes to clarify and expand the options in city code to choose a mayor pro tempore to align City Code with the options allowed by the Revised Code of Washington;

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

<u>Section 1.</u> Amendment of GFMC 2.04.040. Granite Falls Municipal Code Section 2.04.040 is amended to read as follows:

2.04.040 Mayor pro tempore

Biennially at the first meeting of a new council, the members of the city council, by majority vote, shall designate one of their number as mayor pro tempore or deputy mayor for such period as the council may specify, up to two years, to serve in the absence or temporary disability of the mayor. In the absence of, or during the disability of both the mayor and the mayor pro tempore, the council may, as the need may arise, appoint any qualified person to serve in a temporary capacity to chair council meetings or take such other actions as a majority of the council shall authorize.

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 five days after the date of its publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 19th day of February, 2020.

Matthew Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Darla Reese, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form.

Thom H. Graafstra, City Attorney Emily Guildner

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