

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 995-2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING GRANITE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.06.010 “OFFICE OF CITY MANAGER” AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF A QUALIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZING THE TITLE OF THE POSITION TO INCLUDE THE DESIGNATION OF “DEPUTY CITY MANAGER” OR “ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER”

WHEREAS, the City wishes to clarify and expand the options in city code to authorize a qualified administrative officer to serve and establishing the title of deputy city manager or assistant city manager and 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:

Section 1. **Amendment of GFMC 2.06.010.** Granite Falls Municipal Code Section 2.06.010 is amended to read as follows:

2.06.010 Office of city manager established – Substitute.

(A) There is hereby created the office of city manager, which office shall be filled by a majority vote of the city council. The city manager shall serve at the pleasure of the city council and the terms of the city manager’s employment, including tenure, will be specified by a contract executed by the mayor with the approval of a majority of the city council. No provision of said contract may be contrary to the requirements of state law or city ordinance. The city manager shall be subject to removal from office by a majority vote of the members of the city council. The procedures for removal of the city manager shall be as set forth in Chapter [35A.13](#) RCW as said statutes now read or are hereinafter amended.

(B) The council may designate a qualified administrative officer of the city or town to perform the duties of manager:

- (1) Upon the adoption of the council-manager plan, pending the selection and appointment of a manager; or
- (2) Upon the termination of the services of a manager, pending the selection and appointment of a new manager; or
- (3) During the absence, disability, or suspension of the manager.

(C) A qualified administrative officer may also serve as an assistant or deputy to the City Manager performing such duties as specified in a council approved job description. The qualified administrative officer’s title may include the designation “Deputy City Manager” or “Assistant City Manager.”

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 2nd day of December, 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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