

**CITY OF GRANITE FALLS  
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-08**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON,  
APPROVING THE PROPOSED GRANITE FALLS SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM  
UPDATE AND DIRECTING THAT THE APPLICABLE SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM  
UPDATE MATERIALS BE PROVIDED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY FOR  
ITS REVIEW AND APPROVAL.**

**WHEREAS**, the Washington Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58, referred to herein as "SMA") recognizes that shorelines are among the most valuable and fragile resources of the state, and that state and local government must establish a coordinated planning program to address the types and effects of development occurring along the shorelines of state-wide significance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Granite Falls ("City") is required to update its Shoreline Master Program ("SMP") pursuant to the SMA and WAC 173-26; and

**WHEREAS**, on March of 2012, the City issued a Final Shoreline Analysis Report, an inventory and characterization of the city's shorelines to assess ecological functions and ecosystem-wide processes operating within the city's shoreline jurisdiction and to serve as a baseline from which future development actions in the shoreline jurisdiction will be measured; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been extensive public participation with respect to the SMP Update, including but not limited to the following: public meetings before the Granite Falls Planning Commission, a public workshop, and a public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission began its review of the SMP Update in October of 2010 and completed it on July 31, 2012 after 12 meetings including a public hearing on June 26, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission recommended that the Council consider the SMP Update for adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, the Granite Falls City Council considered the SMP at a study session on August 8, 2012, a public hearing on August 15, 2012 and a regular meeting on September 5, 2012;

**WHEREAS**, the Granite Falls City Council has concluded that the SMP will result in "no net loss" in shoreline ecological function relative to the baseline due to its implementation and will ultimately produce a net improvement in shoreline ecological function; and

**WHEREAS**, the Granite Falls City Council concludes that the SMP is consistent with and meets the guidelines established under WAC Chapter 173.26; and

**WHEREAS**, the Granite Falls City Council concludes that the SMP is consistent with and implements Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58) and the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70); and

**WHEREAS**, the State Department of Ecology is authorized under the SMA to approve, deny or propose modifications to the City's SMP; and

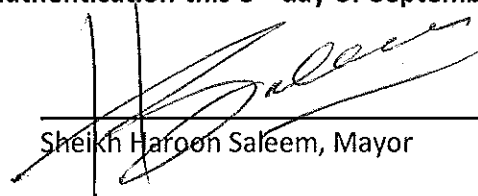
**WHEREAS**, a Determination of Nonsignificance was issued on the SMP Update by the City's State Environmental Policy Act responsible official on March 23, 2012.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby approves the proposed City of Granite Falls Shoreline Management Plan Update as set forth in Attachment A.


**SECTION 2.** The City Council directs City staff to forward the appropriate SMP documents to the State Department of Ecology for formal review and approval.

**PASSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE** of the members of the City of Granite Falls City Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012 and signed into authentication this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.



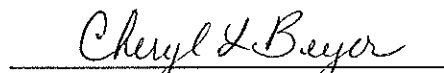
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Sheikh Haroon Saleem, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Darla Reese, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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Cheryl L. Beyer, City Attorney