CITY OF GRANITE FALLS Granite Falls, Washington ORDINANCE 1027-2022

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING GRANITE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE (GFMC) SEWER REGULATIONS SECTION 13.02.043 "INSTALLATION AND CONNECTION TO PUBLIC SEWER", ESTABLISHING SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, sewer connection regulations are codified in Chapter 13.02 of the Granite Falls Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Granite Falls Municipal Code Chapter 13.02 Sewer Regulations in Section 13.02.043 currently require the connection to public sewer when it is available within 200-feet of the property; and

WHEREAS, there are situations within the city where the actual structure to be connected maybe substantially more than 200-feet from a public sewer system and the topography of such properties would preclude such physical connection; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there are enough unique properties within the city that sewer connection requirements should be modified to provide sewer connection when it is available within 200-feet of the structure to be connected; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to amend Chapter 13.02;

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

<u>Section 1.</u> GFMC Section 13.02.043 entitled "Installation and connection to public sewer" is hereby amended to read as follows (all other section of Chapter 13.02 "Sewer Regulations" remain unchanged):

13.02.043 Installation and connection to public sewer.

The owner of any house, building, or property used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes, situated within the city and abutting on any street, alley, or right-of-way in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sanitary sewer of the city, is required at his expense to install suitable toilet facilities therein, and to connect such facilities directly with the proper public sewer in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, within 90 days after date of official notice to do so; provided, that the public sewer is within 200 feet (61 meters) of the property line closest to the

building to be served as measured to an existing sewer main; Provided that if the house or building is a single family residence or duplex then if the public sewer is within 200 feet (61 meters) of the structure as measured to an existing sewer main.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be 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 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of May, 2022.

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

Matthew Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Darla Reese, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Thom Graafstra, City Attorney Emily Guildner, City Attorney

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