

**CITY OF GRANITE FALLS  
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AUTHORIZING REPAIR ASSOCIATED WITH THE BURN ROAD LIFT STATION, PIPES AND LINES, AUTHORIZING CITY PERSONNEL TO TAKE ALL SUCH ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO REMEDY AND ABATE SAID EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, upstream of the Burn Road Lift Station large deposits of gravel are present in the sewer line. The material found in the sewer line was consistent with bedding material used in the installation of piping. It is possible that the line was damaged which allowed the material in. The line was CCT'ed. The line was "dry line" for ~10 years. A new connection for a new development introduced flows that pumped gravel through the line to the existing lift station; and

**WHEREAS**, gravel into the lift station could cause catastrophic damage; and

**WHEREAS**, sewer service had to be maintained; and

**WHEREAS**, cleaning and repairs were immediately undertaken as follows:

Welwest Construction, initiated sewer line repair (between MH 45 and MH 44) and for repairing the damaged section of the sewer line. Starting 3/13/2020.

Bravo Environmental did sewer line Jetting and further CCTV (from MH 45 to Burn Road Lift station)

Bravo also undertook removal of the gravel from the line and wetwell. Thereafter Whitney Equipment, supplied parts and labor for pump rebuild due to the aggregate and was responsible for pulling and rebuilding the damaged pump. Starting date TBD.


**WHEREAS**, the above circumstances were unforeseen and beyond the control of the City of Granite Falls and presented a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential public functions and would likely result in material loss or damage to property, public health, bodily injury or loss or life if immediate action is not taken; and

**WHEREAS**, the above described circumstances justify declaring an emergency which requires immediate action by the City; and


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1.) An emergency existed and exists and property, persons and the environment would suffer material injury or damage by delay, and the public health, safety and welfare would suffer material injury or damage by delay, and as such, an emergency is now hereby retroactively declared to exist.
- 2.) The existence of such emergency and the facts constituting the emergency are set forth in the recital paragraphs of this resolution. Said facts and circumstances are hereby adopted as findings of the Granite Falls City Council and justify the declaration of emergency.
- 3.) The City Council authorizes and ratifies the actions of City staff, consultants and contractors to make requests and apply as necessary to City, County, State and Federal agencies for waiver, deferral or expedited processing of permits and to otherwise take all actions necessary and required to abate and remedy said emergency conditions.
- 4.) This resolution is intended to be liberally construed to effectuate the purpose of protecting the public health, safety, and welfare.
- 5.) The City Council does hereby waive the requirements of RCW 35A.40.210 and RCW 35.23.352 requiring public bidding and ratifies the emergency contracts for work, cleaning investigating and repair for the Burn Road Lift Station and associated lines.
- 6.) If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this resolution 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 resolution.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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Matthew Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Darla Reese, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Thom H. Graafstra, City Attorney