

**CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION 2020-09

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GRANITE FALLS CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DISTRIBUTE CARES ACT GRANT
FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO THE GRANITE FALLS UNIT OF
THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY FOR COVID-19
PANDEMIC RELATED EXPENSES**

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has determined that a pandemic exists due to the global spread of a highly contagious virus commonly known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, the Governor of the State of Washington proclaimed a State of Emergency due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Hartman proclaimed an emergency on March 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the continuing COVID-19 epidemic adversely affects businesses of all types and has created a significant economic impact on the operation of non-profit organizations that serve our community; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which was signed into law by the President on March 27, 2020 to provide economic relief package to cities, American workers, families and small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls has received CARES Relief Funds; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2020, the Washington State Attorney General's Office issued guidance concluding that local governments may provide small business loans or grants where there is a clear nexus between such programs and either protecting the local economy or promoting compliance with public health guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Granite Falls City Council authorized the City manager to approve expenditures related to COVID-19 relief from the CARES relief funds, including the contribution of \$10,000 to support COVID-19 related economic recovery for the Granite Falls Unit of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Snohomish County (BGCSG) at its June 17, 2020 council meeting; and

WHEREAS, the BGCSG has been providing free child care to all health care workers and first responders throughout the course of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the BGCSG has been and continues to facilitate and fund the cost of children's distance learning practices as a pandemic mitigation measure; and

WHEREAS, the BGCSG has extended their operational hours and lowered their fees to help meet the demand for services to families impacted by the school shutdowns resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic,

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

Section 1. The City Council authorizes the City Manager to award grant funding in the amount of \$10,000 to the Granite Falls Unit of the Boys and Girls Club of Snohomish County to pay for expenses incurred by the organization as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.


PASSED by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls this 1st day of July, 2020.


Matthew Harman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Darla Reese, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Thomas H. Graafstra, City Attorney