

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY, AT THE GENERAL ELECTION, TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015, OF A PROPOSITION WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD ADOPT THE COUNCIL/MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT AND ABANDON THE COUNCIL/MAYOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT; AND REQUESTING THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY AUDITOR TO CONDUCT THAT GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015.

WHEREAS, RCW Chapter 35A.06 authorizes a non-charter code city such as Granite Falls to abandon its plan of government and reorganize under another plan of government, and to pass a resolution requesting that a proposition be submitted to the qualified voters within the City whether the City should abandon its current form of government and reorganize under another plan of government; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the best interests and general welfare of the City would be served by submitting to the qualified voters in the City the proposition whether the City should adopt the Council/Manager form of government and abandon the Council/Mayor form of government;

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls has operated under its current form of government for more than six consecutive years;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the proposition be considered at the general election in the City to be held on November 3, 2015 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City the proposition whether the City should adopt the Council/Manager form of government and abandon the Council/Mayor form of government;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In accordance with RCW 35A.06.040 and .050, RCW 29A.04.330 and other applicable state law, the City Council of the City of Granite Falls hereby requests and calls for the Snohomish County Auditor to conduct and hold an election on November 3, 2015 in the City of Granite Falls for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City the proposition whether the City should adopt the Council/Manager form of government and abandon the Council/Mayor form of government.

Section 2. The proposition to be submitted at the general election on November 3, 2015 shall be substantially in the form of a ballot title prepared by the City Attorney and to read as follows:

CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

PROPOSITION NO. ____

WHETHER TO ADOPT THE COUNCIL/MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT
WITHIN THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

Shall the City of Granite Falls Adopt The Council Manager Form Of Government And Abandon The Council/Mayor Form Of Government?

Yes.....

No.....

The City Attorney is authorized and directed to make such revisions in the statement of the Proposition as required by the Snohomish County Auditor and the Prosecuting Attorney for Snohomish County.


Section 3. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Snohomish County Auditor on or before September 18, 2015.

Section 4. The City Attorney is authorized to take such additional steps required to cause the election on the proposition to occur.

Section 5. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or 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 resolution.

PASSED by the City Council this 18th day of March 2015

APPROVED by the Mayor this 30th day of March 2015

By:  _____
Joshua Golston, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE:

By: Darla Reese
Darla Reese, City Clerk

Approved As To Form:

Grant K. Weed for
Grant K. Weed, City Attorney