

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

**RESOLUTION 2019-08**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, DIRECTING THE DESIGNATED OFFICIAL TO PROCEED WITH ANALYSIS AND PROCESSING OF THE 2019 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ANNUAL DOCKET.**

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls is a City in Snohomish County, Washington, planning under the Growth Management Act (RCW Chapter 36.70A); and

WHEREAS, the City of Granite Falls has established procedures and schedules to update, amend or revise the City's Comprehensive Plan and development regulations on an annual basis consistent with RCW 36.70A.470(2); and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Annual Docket proposals include eight Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Map and zoning code amendment applications proposed by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held public meetings on the proposed list of docket items in Exhibit A on December 11, 2018 and on January 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission made a recommendation at their January 8, 2019 to the City Council recommending the Council direct the City Manager to proceed with preparing a 2019 Annual Docket application that includes the amendment alternative preferred by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, consideration and passage of this Resolution is an action that is exempt from the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act (RCW Chapter 43.21C) pursuant to WAC 197-11-800(14)(h) and (19) and GFMC Chapter 19.07; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted a public meeting on the proposed 2019 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Annual Docket list as provided in Exhibits A on June 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the Planning Commission recommendation received from the January 8, 2019 meeting.

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

Section 1. Requested Action. The City of Granite Falls City Council directs the Designated Official to analyze the attached list of docket items, prepare reports, and present the detailed findings to the Planning Commission and the City Council for action before the end of 2019.


Section 2. 2019 Docket. The approved docket items listed in Exhibit A are the official 2019 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Annual Docket for the

City of Granite Falls and will serve as the Comprehensive Plan and development regulation changes considered in 2019.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held 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.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage by the City of Granite Falls City Council.

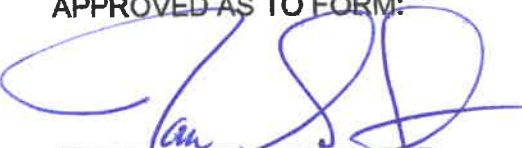
PASSED by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls this 19th day of June, 2019.

  
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Matthew Hartman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Darla Reese, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Thomas H. Graafstra, City Attorney

**EXHIBIT A**  
**RESOLUTION 2019-08**

**City of Granite Falls**

**2019 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Annual Docket  
List of Proposed Revisions**

- CPA/ZMA2019-001 *408 Prospect Avenue* amendments propose to change the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation from Downtown Residential to Public/Institutional and the Zoning Map designation from DT-2500 (Downtown Residential) to P/I (Public/Institutional) for 0.74 acres consisting of one parcel. The subject parcel was purchased by the city in April of 2018 for future expansion of the city's Waste Water Treatment Facility located immediately west of the subject property. The proposed amendments provide the appropriate Comprehensive Plan and Zoning destinations for publicly (city) owned land intended for a public purpose and use.
- CPA/ZMA2019-002 *204 Portage Avenue* amendments propose to change the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation from Medium Density Residential to Public/Institutional and the Zoning Map designation from R-7200 (Residential 7,200) to P/I (Public/Institutional) for 0.23 acres consisting of one parcel. The subject parcel was purchased by the city on October 30, 2018 for the purpose of converting the existing cabinet shop on the property to a city Public Works shop. The proposed amendments provide the appropriate Comprehensive Plan and Zoning destinations for publicly (city) owned land intended for a public purpose and use.
- CPA2019-003 *Shoreline Master Program Reference Update* proposes to amend and update the ordinance number in the Shoreline Element of the Comprehensive Plan that incorporates the Shoreline Master Program by reference to the adopting ordinance. The updated Shoreline Master Program, currently under review by state agencies, is scheduled for adoption by ordinance on May 1, 2019.
- ZCA2019-001 *Landscaping and Screening Regulations* – In response to discussions by the Planning Commission during the review of the 2018 Annual Docket amendments regarding updates to the landscaping & screening regulations, ZCA2019-001 proposes to amend and update the *Landscaping & Screening* section by:
  1. Adding some flexibility and guidance for the Designated Official in regards to the application of street tree requirements;
  2. Providing consistency with the threshold for defining and applying landscaping standards in regards to small parking lots;
  3. Replacing the term “city” with “Designated Official” for consistency with the balance of the code; and
  4. Providing appropriate and complete formatting and subsection designations.
- ZCA2019-002 *Official Site Plan Regulations* amendments propose to clarify:
  1. Official Site Plan applications are Type II – Quasi-judicial applications;
  2. Purpose statement by removing subjective terms;

3. Declaration of ownership forms are no longer required;
  4. Approved official site plans and development agreements are required to be recorded with Snohomish County;
  5. Paper size required for preliminary site plan submittals; and
  6. Appropriate and complete formatting and subsection designations.
- ZCA2019-003 *Kennels, Catteries & Animal Shelter* – In response to discussions by the City Council during the review of 2018 Annual Docket amendments regarding animal care & shelters, ZCA2019-003 proposes to:
    1. Remove “Commercial Kennels & Catteries” and “Animal Shelters” as conditional uses in GC (General Commercial) zone; and
    2. Add “Commercial Kennels & Catteries” and “Animal Shelters” as Principal Uses in the HI (Heavy Industrial) zone and LI (Light Industrial) zone.
  - ZCA2019-004 *CBD Zone Ground Floor Residential Units* amendments propose to remove ground floor residential units as an allowed secondary use or conditional use in the Central Business District (CBD) Zone. This is a preliminary proposal at this time brought about by a discussion between the City Manager and a City Council member to preserve long term the ground floor for commercial use in the CBD Zone.
  - CPA2019-004 Capital Facilities Element proposes: (1) Incorporate by reference the Wastewater Facilities Plan into the Comprehensive Plan; and (2) Amend the Capital Facilities Element to include a brief description of the facilities plan, updated costs, and the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Plan Map.