

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Grant County, Washington

**ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 14
OF THE GRANT COUNTY CODE TITLED
“BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION” AND
ADDING NEW CHAPTER 14.02 TITLED “FLOOD
DAMAGE AND PREVENTION”**

ORDINANCE No. 23 - 022 -CC

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Grant County Board of County Commissioners previously adopted Grant County Ordinance No. 21-012-CC Flood Damage Prevention as part of its environmental regulations in the Unified Development Code (UDC) Title 24, Chapter 24.16; and

WHEREAS, RCW 86.16 authorizes the county legislative authority to adopt, by appropriate resolution or ordinance, regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry by adopting floodplain management regulations; and

WHEREAS, On May 23, 2022 the Department of Ecology conducted a Community Assistance Visit as part of their evaluation of the county's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program, which included the effectiveness of our existing flood damage prevention ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Ecology recommended various changes and amendments to our current ordinance in order to bring the code up to the minimum required standards, reviewed and approved the proposed draft ordinance; and

WHEREAS, per RCW 86.16.041, the county shall submit to the department of ecology any amendment to an existing floodplain management ordinance, of which shall take effect thirty days from filing with the department; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the flood damage prevention ordinance be removed from the county's development regulations (UDC) and be amended and relocated to Title 14, Chapter 14.02 Building and Construction so it can be administered as part of the building permit process and receive periodic updates in a more streamlined manner; and

WHEREAS, the current Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance in Title 24 will be repealed in its entirety as part of the development regulation amendments during this year's comprehensive and development regulations amendment cycle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDNAINED THAT the Grant County Board of Commissioners amend Title 14, Building and Construction and add a new Chapter 14.02 titled "Flood Damage and Prevention" to be incorporated into the Grant County Code as presented in Attachment A.

DATED this 28 day of February, 2023.

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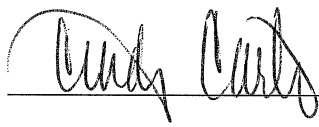
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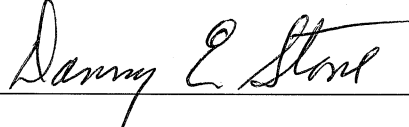
Rob Jones, Chair

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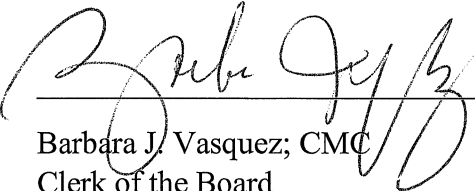
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Danny Stone, Member

ATTEST:



Barbara J. Vasquez; CMC
Clerk of the Board