## **ORDINANCE NO. 1004**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO ELECTIONS AND THE FILING OF CANDIDACY DECLARATIONS, UPDATING REFERENCES IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO BE CONSISTENT WITH RECENTLY AMENDED STATE STATUTES, AMENDING GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 2.12.060; 2.12.070; 21.12.080; and 2.12.090.

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor Municipal Code (Section 2.12.060; 2.12.070; and 2.12.080) currently describes the procedures for declaring candidacy; and

WHEREAS, effective July 1, 2004, Title 29 RCW was reorganized and recodifed as Title 29A RCW;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Code needs to be changed so that references to State

Law are consistent with the newly amended statutes; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 2.12.060 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.12.060 Declaration of candidacy – filing. Nominations for elective offices within the city shall be made by filing declarations of candidacy with the Pierce County Auditor's Office and as set forth in RCW 29.15.030, or as otherwise provided in chapter 29.15 for mailing or electronic filing RCW 29A.24.031 (declaring candidacy), 29A.24.040 (for mailing or electronic filing), 29A.24.050 (timing of the

declaration of candidacy), 29A.24.070 (place of filing), and 29A.24.081 (filing by mail). There shall be no primary elections for nominating candidates for any elective office in the city. Primaries shall otherwise be held as provided in chapter 29.21 RCW 29A.52. 210 re: city primaries (non-partisan).

Section 2.12.070 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 2.12.070 Declaration of candidacy - Procedure, fee, form.

- A. All nominations for elective office declarations of candidacy in the city shall be made by filing declarations of candidacy at the times and dates provided in RCW 29.15.020 RCW 29A.24.050.
- B. All declarations of candidacy shall be accompanied by a filing fee as provided in RCW 29.15.050 RCW 29A.24.091.
- C. Declarations of candidacy shall substantially conform to the form set forth in Chapter 29.18 RCW 29A.24.101.

Section 3 Section 2.12.080 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 2.12.080 Election of councilmembers – Vacancy.

Seven councilmembers shall be elected for terms of four years each, with three such councilmembers being elected at one biennial election and four councilmembers being elected at the subsequent biennial election, and shall serve until his or her successor is elected, qualified and assumes office in accordance with RCW 29.04.170 RCW 29A.20.040.

Section 4. Section 2.12.090 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 2.12.090 Election of mayor - Vacancy.

A mayor shall be elected for four-year terms of office and shall serve until his or her successor is elected, qualified and assumes office in accordance with RCW 29.04.170 RCW 29A.20.040. \*\*\*

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor this 13<sup>th</sup> of June, 2005.

CITY OF GIG HARBOR

GRETCHEN WILBERT, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

By:

MOLLY TOWSLEE, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

By:

AROL A. MORRIS

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