## CITY OF WHITE SALMON ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03-1128

## AN ORDINANCE CREATING WSMC CHAPTER 2.02 CITY HALL AND WSMC SECTION 2.02.010 CITY HALL HOURS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON.

**WHEREAS**, the City of White Salmon is required by RCW 35A.21.070 to establish City Hall office hours by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Of White Salmon administration has determined that the staff would benefit from a dedicated work day without public access to City Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of White Salmon administration has identified Monday as the day that will have the least impact on public needs; and

NOW THERFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. ADDING CHAPTER 2.02 CITY HALL.** White Salmon Municipal Code (WSMC) Chapter 2.02 CITY HALL is hereby added.

SECTION 2. ADDING SECTION 2.02.010 CITY HALL HOURS. The following WSMC Section 2.02.010 CITY HALL HOURS is added to the White Salmon Municipal Code Chapter 2.02 CITY HALL as follows:

## WSMC 2.02.010 City Hall Hours

- A. City Hall shall generally be open for the transaction of business with the public from the hours of nine a.m. to five p.m., Tuesday through Friday.
  - 1. Exceptions
    - a. designated lunch hour from twelve p.m.to one p.m. daily; and
    - b. holidays occurring during the normal business week of the city as may be established by state or federal law, mayoral authority or an action of the city council.
- B. As the term is used in this section, "transaction of city business" shall mean staff availability for in-person contact by members of the public. Such hours may be modified by the mayor on a temporary basis as a result of staffing shortage or other purpose. The mayor shall have the authority by executive order to authorize the closing of all or certain of the city offices, for up to one day for such cause as is deemed appropriate by the mayor.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY**. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance.

Ordinance 2023-03-1128 Creating WSMC 2.02 City Hall and WSMC 2.02.010 City Hall Hours Page 1 **SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED in regular session this 1st day of March, 2023.

Marla Keethler, Mayor

Stephanie Porter, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to form:

Kenneth B. Woodrich, City Attorney