

ODRINANCE NO. 796

“AMENDING BOAT LAUNCH PASS ORDINANCE TO GRANT CITY EMPLOYEE PERMITS”

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE SHOALS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 26 (PARKS AND RECREATION); SECTION 26-63 (RESIDENT ANNUAL LAUNCH PASS); AND PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT, SAVINGS, SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, Lake Lyndon B. Johnson (“Lake LBJ”) comprises approximately 133,090 acres of water area and is located partially within the political boundaries of the City of Granite Shoals, Texas (the “City”); and

WHEREAS, the City needs a way to fund the maintenance of boat launching ramps within its parks that are open to the general public, including non-residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Granite Shoals, Texas has exercised its authority to establish a boat launch pass program under Texas law; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide its current employees with the benefit of obtaining an annual boat launch pass so that they may make use of the City’s boat launch facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANITE SHOALS, TEXAS:

SECTION I. FINDINGS OF FACT

All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT

Chapter 26 (Parks and Recreation), section 26-63 (Resident annual Launch Pass) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Granite Shoals, Texas, is hereby amended to add the following language:

“ARTICLE V. BOAT LAUNCH PASS

Sec. 26.51 Definitions. The following words and phrases have the designated meanings:

- (a) Boat shall include all water craft, including but not limited to vessels, power boats, canoes, kayaks, pontoon boats, sailboats, power jet skis, personal watercraft and rowboats.
- (b) Boat Ramp means any public boat ramp located in a public park within the City of Granite Shoals.
- (c) Resident is an individual or business owner who resides, owns property, or operates a business in the City of Granite Shoals.
- (d) Boat Ramp and Parking Permit means the envelope used to deposit the fee and the ~~removable~~removable windshield tag. This permit must be completely and properly filled out to be considered valid.

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Sec. 26.53 Resident and City Employee Annual Launch Pass.

- (a) A free Residential Annual Launch Pass is available to City of Granite Shoals residents and current employees of the City of Granite Shoals. The Resident Annual Launch Pass is effective for the remaining days in the calendar year of issuance. Resident Annual Launch Passes are not available to non-residents, other than current employees, of the City of Granite Shoals.
- (b) A free annual sticker will be provided by the City and shall be permanently affixed to the front windshield of the tow vehicle near the state registration sticker. The tow vehicle must be registered to the resident or current City employee.
- (c) A Resident Annual Launch Pass may not be assigned by the owner to another individual nor transferred to another vehicle. A maximum of two free Resident Annual Launch Pass stickers will be issued per household.”

SECTION III. SAVINGS

The repeal of any ordinance or part of ordinances effectuated by the enactment of this Ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, or as affecting any rights of the City under any section or provisions of any ordinances at the time of passage of this Ordinance.

SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY

Should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this Ordinance be adjusted or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance in whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional.

SECTION V. REPEALER

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances or parts of ordinances governing or regulating the same subject matter as that covered herein; provided, however, that all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent that such inconsistency is apparent. This Ordinance shall not be construed to require or allow any act that is prohibited by any other ordinance.

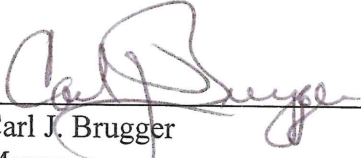
SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication as may be required by law.

SECTION VII. PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

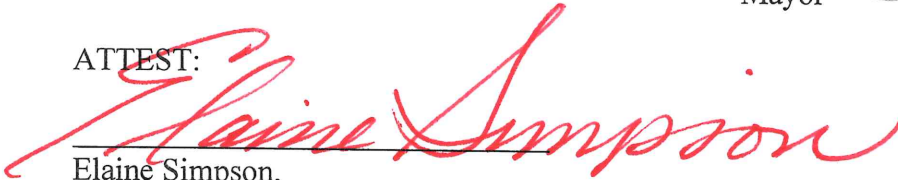
It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of August, 2020.



Carl J. Brugger
Mayor

ATTEST:



Elaine Simpson,
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Joshua Katz,
City Attorney